

FREEZE KILLS FIFTY IN PAST SIXTY HOURS

Bandit Hordes Surround Party Of Americans

Methodist Enter Upon Ambitious Program For 1924

Chicago Is Hit Hardest With 18 Deaths Reported

Approximately fifty persons died during the past sixty hours in the United States, as a result of the intense cold wave. A major portion of the casualties was listed in the Middle West where the Northern was fiercest. Many froze to death while others were burned and victims of accidents brought on due to icy conditions. In Chicago alone 18 deaths were reported during this time.

According to weather Bureau reports, temperatures will slowly rise today and tomorrow. It will be somewhat warmer tonight.

ATLANTA, Ga., Jan. 7.—Heavy property damage and intense suffering was caused throughout the South-east over the weekend by low temperatures. The weather moderated slightly today, after reaching zero Sunday, the coldest in a quarter of a century.

Trucks, trains suffered heavy loss from the cold weather.

Three men from cold in Marion and three sailors were frozen to death near New Orleans.

Numerous others were reported including a fire which destroyed the house of a coal dealer with a loss of \$50,000.

Three Cars Pile Up Injuring Two Bellaire Drivers

HOUSTON, Texas, Jan. 7.—Two drivers of trucks were recovering from injuries received when three cars piled up together at the intersection of the Bellaire and Houston streets.

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Cold Kills Three Seamen Near N.O.

NEW ORLEANS, La., Jan. 7.—Three seamen of the U. S. S. Albatross, a naval training ship, were killed by a cold wave near New Orleans.

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FIFTEEN YEAR OLD YOUTH ADMITS WRECKING TRAIN AND KILLING ENGINEER

PALESTINE, Texas, Jan. 7.—A high school senior admitted to wrecking a train and killing an engineer.

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Admiral Palmer Named to Shipping Board.



Rear Admiral Leigh C. Palmer, U. S. Navy, retired, has been named by President Coolidge to be chairman of the U. S. Shipping Board.

Admiral Palmer served during a greater part of the World War as chief of the Bureau of Navigation.

PREMIER LENIN RECOVERING RAPIDLY

By ISAAC DON LEVINE (U. S. Staff Correspondent) Special Cable Dispatch

MOSCOW, Jan. 6.—Premier Lenin has been recovering with difficulty from taking over the helm of the Soviet government. His condition is such that if those around him permitted Lenin would again be president of the Soviet.

Last week during the party debates, Lenin was in an automobile and all ready to start for an important meeting but was finally persuaded to remain and follow the regime that had been prescribed for him.

Lenin's recovery has surprised his physicians and proven their diagnosis wrong. The doctor thought that Lenin would never again be able to read but a fortunate accident disclosed to the contrary. During his daily wheel chair trips out of doors Lenin was by error taken out of the private beaten path and down a frequented alley where he passed two men reading a newspaper.

Lenin motioned towards them, seized the newspaper and read greedily for an hour, displaying the greatest interest in the news of the day and causing general astonishment on all hands.

Since then Lenin has been a different man, out medical treatment and is progressing rapidly and recovering the complete use of his limbs, hands and mental faculties.

NEWS PORTER BREAKS ARM SATURDAY NIGHT

Hamrick Thomas, porter at the News Publishing Company, sustained a broken arm, just above his wrist, while assisting in the stereotyping Saturday night. He was given medical attention at once. He will be absent from his work quite a while on account of the injury.

Improvements To Be Made On Local Property At Cost Of Approximately \$23,000

By unanimous decision the Board of Stewards of the First Methodist Church, at its regular monthly meeting last week decided on church improvements to the property here entailing an expenditure of approximately \$23,000.

The subject was presented to the congregation at the morning hour Sunday, David Murphy, Chairman of the Finance Committee making the statement to the congregation for the Board.

In the Church News of the week distributed at the morning and evening hours was a complete statement of facts and appeals by the pastor, Rev. W. D. Andrews and by the chairman of the Board of Stewards, Noel Hollingsworth.

The needs of the church as outlined were, a new pipe organ, to cost \$7,100; heating plant, \$1,732; Furnishings, \$2,000; Paving, \$2,000; note, past due, \$1,000.

A meeting of the finance committee will be held at the Methodist parsonage Monday night at which time the membership rolls will be gone over carefully and the completed for raising the necessary fund and to put over an ambitious program at once.

Already the pipe organ has been ordered and is now on the way here. The committee, as Mr. Murphy said and as the Board knows, will be able to put the program across with everyone showing a spirit of co-operation.

The pastor's appeal is as follows: The First Methodist Church of Mexia begins the new year under most favorable conditions. We have an enrollment of 651 members, and this represents an active membership. Last October a Church Conference was held, and 93 names of people who had moved away, were dropped from the roll. It is a credit that this 651 membership represents people of all walks of life. We may add to the statement of Lord when He said, "The power have the gospel preached to them, and say 'All classes of people have the gospel preached to them'."

The preaching services are well attended, and the various organizations of the Church are running smoothly and on schedule.

The Woman's Missionary Society has been wearing the laurels as being the most verile organization in the Church, but they must look well to their honor else the Board of Stewards will put them in second place.

Our Church has a most ambitious program for the new year: A Pipe Organ, a Steam Heating Plant for the Church, and the completion of the Parsonage. At a meeting of the Board of Stewards January 3, it was estimated that these improvements, with some minor items, will cost \$23,000, and it was agreed unanimously that this money shall be raised at once.

Brother David Murphy is chairman of the committee having this task in hand. These improvements are for the benefit of everyone and we want all to have an opportunity to make a contribution. In your pledge let the Bible plan be the basis: "As the Lord has prospered you."

The statement by the Board of Stewards, is as follows:

After a careful and prayerful consideration of the needs of our church, the Board of Stewards, Thursday evening, January the 3rd, enthusiastically approved a campaign to raise approximately \$23,000 for such improvements as will increase the service of our church and without which our \$50,000 investment in this church edifice is hampered. The Board joins the pastor in insisting upon the motto known to every Texan, "Be sure you are right and go ahead." We know we are right and our great congregation will not hesitate in the presence of duty. Then our church will be enabled to fulfill its mission in this community. We invoke the partnership of God in all our undertakings, and He is the best, the

richest, the kindest and most considerate partner known to this world. He offers to furnish all the materials, do much the largest work and share most of the profits with us.

Brother David Murphy is Chairman of the Committee to raise the finances. He reports the needs as follows:

Pipe Organ Fund	\$ 7,100.00
Heating Plant	\$ 1,732.00
Furnishings	\$ 2,000.00
Paving	\$ 2,000.00
Note, past due	\$ 1,000.00
Total	\$22,832.00

Let everyone decide to do their duty in this important service and be ready to carry your part of the load when placed before you.

NOEL HOLLINGSWORTH, Chairman of Board of Stewards.

American Legion To Meet Tuesday

Post Commander Owen P. Watkins of the American Legion announces that dues for 1921 membership are now due. He urges that all payments be made as promptly as possible.

The first meeting of the New Year will be held Tuesday, when the ladies auxiliary will serve the luncheon at the legion hall. These affairs are always extremely enjoyable to the ones who gather from time to time and it is hoped that a large attendance will mark the opening meeting of 1924.

The auxiliary will have another meeting at the afternoon Tuesday, at 3:30, at which time officers for the year will be elected. Every member is invited.

METHODIST MINISTER PLEADED WITH OUTLOOK

Rev. G. W. Knechloe of the Mexia Methodist church returned Monday from Horn Hill where he spent Sunday. He reports the work of the church starting off satisfactorily.

Many Methodists throughout the charge are taking The Texas Christian Advocate, under the new management and plan. He sent in seven subscriptions today.

On returning home, he reported much excitement prevailing around the Humphreys test near Groesbeck, where preparations were complete for bringing it in.

Battleship Is Adrift Off Delaware Coast

(Bulletin By U. S.)

WASHINGTON, Jan. 7.—United States Battleship Louisiana is adrift thirty miles at sea off the Delaware coast, according to a radiogram from Hampton Roads, Va., received here tonight by the navy department.

The war vessel, recently sold to a private company for scrapping was being towed by two tugs when she went adrift.

Naval vessels are trying to locate her.

J. W. Glenney, District Manager of the Southwestern Bell Telephone Company, with headquarters at Corsicana, was a Mexia visitor Monday.

J. H. Evetts, Commercial Agent of the Southern Pacific Lines, of Corsicana, is a business visitor in Mexia today.

JAPAN'S PRINCE REGENT WEDS JAN. 27.



The date of the wedding of Prince Regent Hirohito of Japan, who has been the ruler of Japan since the Mikado's mild gave way, to Princess Nagata Kuni has been definitely set for January 27. The wedding was to have occurred in December, but was postponed because of the earthquake disaster.

Plans Being Made For This Summer's C. M. T. Training

World has been receiving from the Officer in Charge of the C. M. T. C. for the 8th Corps Area, which includes the States of Texas, Oklahoma, Colorado, Arizona and New Mexico, that elaborate plans are now under way for the continuance of the Government summer camps for young men, which proved so popular during the last three summers.

Three thousand young men received an outing at Government expense during August of 1923. These young men were distributed to camps at Fort Sam Houston, Texas, Fort Sill, Oklahoma, Fort Logan, Colorado and Fort Huachuca, Arizona. Each of the above mentioned camps were wonderful locations and every facility was made available for a very pleasant vacation.

According to the present plans, the camps for 1924 are to be held at the same Army Posts as those of 1923, they being considered the very best for the purpose in the Eighth Corps Area.

The branches of instruction offered will be the same as last year and will include instruction in Infantry, Cavalry, Field Artillery, Engineers, Coast Artillery, Signal Corps and Air Service. There will be four courses of instruction, including a Basic Red Course, which gives fundamental training, but does not instruct in any particular branch of the service, featuring mostly study in citizenship; the Advanced Red Course, which gives basic instruction in branches desired; the White Course, for which graduates of last year's Advanced Red Course were certified as eligible for admission to the White Course, are qualified, fitting students to be noncommissioned officers in the Organized Reserves or the National Guard; the Blue Course, for which graduates of last year's White Course who were certified as eligible for admission to the Blue Course, are qualified; the graduates of this course who are of the proper age and who possess the necessary educational qualifications are fitted for commissions in the Organized Reserve Corps.

The age limits are the same as for last year: 17 to 21 for Red Courses, 18 to 21 for the White Course; 19 to 24 for the Blue Course. These age limits do not apply to those who attended a Citizens Military Training Camp in 1922 and 1923.

According to a recent decision from the Adjutant General's Office, Washington, D. C. young men who have graduated from the Blue Course and who are eligible and qualified for commissions in the Officers Reserve Corps, but who have not been commissioned on account of being under age at the date of the opening of the camp will be authorized to attend the Citizens Military Training Camp as Blue students. These graduates, while attending the camp, are recognized as acting officers and will be given as many of the responsibilities and privileges of an officer as found practicable.

Normal application blanks are now being distributed from headquarters of the Eighth Corps Area, Fort Sam Houston, Texas, and young men of the proper qualifications will find it to their advantage to mail requests for applications to the C. M. T. C. Officer, Fort Sam Houston, Texas, at as early a date as possible. By having your application on file, you will be given the benefit of priority of receipt of same and will at an early date be definitely notified of your acceptance.

NO EMBARGO TO BE PLACED ON ARMS TO OLD MEXICO

WASHINGTON, Jan. 7.—The U. S. government will exert its influence to prevent the sale of arms to Mexican revolutionaries but without proclamation of embargo by the President. No reputable American Manufacturing concern will sell arms against the advice of the government. Therefore it is claimed no official embargo is necessary.

CONGRESS TODAY

Senator Lodge to state Administration's position on Russia.

Senator Borah to reply to him.

House: Speeches on taxes, etc.

Ways and Means Committee continues work on tax bill.

Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Blair returned to Dallas this afternoon following a visit of a few days in this city.

Small Oklahoma Village Is Home Of Bandit Gang

BARTLESVILLE, Okla., Jan. 7.—Ramona, small village near here, which has been a stamping ground for ambitious bank robbers during the past several months, has a police force today.

Ed Taylor is the "force" and the town's first peace officer.

BLOOMING GROVE, Texas, Jan. 7.—Fire which swept two business houses here last night, caused damage estimated at \$20,000. The blaze started in a drug store and spread to an adjoining clothing store.

Across Chinese Border Pour Thibetan Savages

By RAY G. MARSHALL (United Press Staff Correspondent)

PEKIN, Jan. 7.—Ten Americans are surrounded by Thibetan bandit hordes in the city of Batang, in Western Sze Chuan and are in imminent peril of starvation, according to reports to the American legation here. Other foreigners are likewise trapped.

The savage Thibetans poured over the border into China recently, the report stated and surrounded the walled city of Batang, burning and looting all surrounding towns.

Chinese garrisons of the district fled, or had disappeared shortly before the appearance of the savages and assistance is declared impossible for weeks.

Civil officers of Batang fled. The Americans who are left behind, facing death from starvation or capture by the Thibetan hordes, are, M. H. Duncan, his wife and son; H. M. Hardy, wife and three sons, all of the Foreign Christian Mission Society and J. R. Morse and wife of the United Christian Mission.

Obregon Calls Mexican Senate Special Session

DALLAS, Texas, Jan. 7.—President Obregon of Mexico will surrender the extraordinary powers given him during the revolutionary crisis as a result of the permanent commission's approval of his proposal to convene a special session of the Mexican senate and house of deputies according to a telegram from the Mexican foreign relations department to Senor Servando Barrera Guerra, Mexican consul here.

The telegram stated the government feels the country in general had undergone a change most favorable to the administration and that the emergency powers in military and internal affairs accorded the president are no longer needed.

SWEET POTATO CURING PLANT DESTROYED BY BLAZE AT NOON

At 12:35 an alarm was turned in from the south part of town and the fire department responded immediately to find the Sweet Potato curing plant in flames. The origin of the fire is said to have been in an explosion of an oil stove. Two stoves were burning in the plant at the time, which housed about 2500 bushels of potatoes. The fire department had to use practically 1250 feet of hose in making the water connections, the plant being located near the railroad tracks in the south part of town. The place was valued at \$11,000, it is learned and the insurance carried was \$8,000. It is understood that the loss is practically complete. The Sweet Potato Curing plant was owned by a local company of business men who got together and built it to encourage the raising of sweet potatoes here.

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THUS SAITH THE LORD, Call unto me, and I will answer thee, and shew thee great and mighty things thou knowest not. Behold, I will bring it health and cure, and I will cure thee, and will reveal unto them the abundance of peace and truth.—Jeremiah 33:2, 3, 6.

CLEANLINESS A MATTER OF VIGILANCE!

Eternal vigilance is the price a community must pay for a healthy citizenship. Mexia must not forget this fact. In entering upon a new year of action and worthy achievement, every citizen, every mother and father, every home owner and every property owner should give heed to the need of making the place healthier and more sanitary. It matters not how much effort is expended by one party to clean up, if his neighbor is not equally zealous his efforts are minimized. No city can be healthier than its conditions permit. Let's stay clean all this year. Proper cooperation must be extended the city officials in this particular.

The News is being commended on every hand for its discussion of the new highway law and the action of Limestone County Commissioners, which editorial appeared Sunday. Particularly praise is being given the paragraph which suggested that the people should vote on a new court house.

Under the old highway law, every county at the mercy of its neighboring counties. Under the new, every highway must be completed and kept up. What doth it profit a man to build paved streets between mud holes. The new system gave us the mud holes. The new system in time will fill them up.

Build the legion memorial building and city auditorium. It's needed for a bigger and better Mexia.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Jan. 6.—Check room attendants at the Union Station were handed a five year old rattlesnake along with other baggage.



HOME DRESSMAKING

Embroidery, Smartness, This Frock

Considerably

At the shoulder there are groups

of small run tucks, and under the last

of the dress there may be

The dress has a diagram of the

front of the dress, with the center

of the dress from the front can be changed

from a straight to a draped style. This should be

put in by hand, silk of the same

shade as the dress being used for

the dress. Fig. II pictures the re-

verse side of the dress with the dart

taken up under the last time. Some-

times the dart takes the place of a

tail and serves to take in extra

length at the shoulder seam, while

allowing a slight extra fullness at

the bustline.

The embroidery is worked on the

blouse along the neck and on the

front.

An inexpensive and attractive

trimming.

Fig. I—Tucks Stitched on Right Side of

Blouse.

Fig. II—Showing Dart Taken Up

Under Last Tuck.

This stitch

is used for the

trimming and

the patch pockets.

NEW PROBE INTO DINES AFFAIR WHEN HAYS ARRIVES

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 6.—With the arrival in Los Angeles tomorrow of Will H. Hays, head of the motion picture Producers' and Distributors' Association, a new investigation is scheduled to be launched into the shooting of Courtland S. Dines, in which Mabel Normand is said to have been involved.

A meeting of the organization has been called for Tuesday at which the tragic climax of the gay party given by Dines at his apartment New Year's night, and all the circumstances surrounding it, will be the principal subject of discussion. And, as a result, it was whispered in Hollywood today, will come the ten commandments of 1924 for the film players of the motion picture capital—rules of conduct which they must observe if they hope to remain in the good graces of the organization. These, it is said, will be in the nature of definitions of the so-called "morality clause" now included in a great many of the contracts of picture stars.

This clause was inserted after the murder of William Desmond Taylor, the Arbuckle affair and other scandals of recent years which have rocked the motion picture world. While Hays has always denied that his job is that of regulating the morals of film players, the general opinion in Hollywood has been that "Hays will get you if you don't watch out."

When Hays quit the job of postmaster general and became the head of the picture magnates organization, it was with the avowed purpose of "cleaning up the industry."

The new investigation by those within the industry was determined upon, it is understood, because of the large number of telegrams received by Mabel Normand, from boards of censors and exhibitors, asking her version of the affair.

Detectives today questioned Mrs. Edith Burns, companion of Miss Normand, in an effort to clear up several points in her story which conflicted with that of Horace Green, the film star's chauffeur.

Reports from the hospital of the Good Samaritan today were to the effect that both Dines and Miss Normand are progressing nicely and that both are out of danger. Visitors are not permitted with the exception of intimate friends and relatives.

Four Dead After Huntsville Fire

HUNTSVILLE, Ill., Jan. 7.—Fire swept the business district here yesterday, taking a toll of four dead and three injured.

The dead: ELMO BURNS, 16; RAYMOND BRIGGS, 32; MAURICE MEETERS, 28; JOHN STOVER, 22.

George Purcell, Marion Harris and Vernon Unger were injured. Falling walls killed the four. Seven business establishments were destroyed.

He Drops 190 Pounds by Hearty Eating.



M.M. Parka

By hearty eating M. M. Parka, of Milwaukee, has dropped from 450 pounds to 260 in one year and four months. He says he will reach 200 pounds by Easter of 1924. He has taken the clear juice of three cases of lemons and a case of Himes in the past year. His daily menu is: Breakfast—Two eggs, toaster, green bread (two pieces), relishes, luncheon—Nothing. Dinner—Three pieces gluten bread (toasted), meat, preferably chicken, but beef, pork, and relishes.

No. 988. OFFICIAL STATEMENT OF THE FINANCIAL CONDITION OF THE FARMERS STATE BANK AT MEXIA, STATE OF TEXAS, at the close of business on the 31st day of December, 1923, published in The Mexia Daily News, a newspaper printed and published at Mexia, State of Texas, on the 7th day of January, 1924.

RESOURCES	
Loans and Discounts, personal or collateral	\$544,543.17
Loans, real estate	NONE
Overdrafts	3,463.96
Bonds and Stocks	132,415.49
Real Estate (banking house)	38,903.69
Other Real Estate	36,479.29
Furniture and Fixtures	21,469.38
Due from other Banks and Bankers, and cash on hand	292,104.43
Interest on Depositors' Guaranty Fund	13,337.28
Assessment Depositors' Guaranty Fund	29,600.86
Acceptances and Bills of Exchange	227,990.86
Other Resources	1,187.28
TOTAL	\$1,341,142.34

LIABILITIES	
Capital Stock paid in	\$100,000.00
Surplus Fund	15,000.00
Undivided Profits, net	9,096.37
Due to Banks and Bankers, subject to check, net	28,693.84
Individual Deposits, subject to check	1,096,310.40
Savings Deposits, Postal	167.52
Cashier's Checks	90,736.96
Other Liabilities	1,187.28
TOTAL	\$1,341,142.34

STATE OF TEXAS, County of Limestone:
We, Jno. H. Sweatt, as president and J. L. Hearn, as cashier of said bank, each of us, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of our knowledge and belief.

JNO. H. SWEATT, President,
J. L. HEARN, Cashier.
CORRECT—ATTEST:
W. J. Keeling
Julius Nussbaum, Directors.
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 5th day of January, A. D. 1924.
(Seal) C. G. WHITE,
Notary Public, Limestone County, Texas.

From the Pyramids to Calvary Interests Great Congregation At First Baptist Church Sunday

"From the Pyramids to Calvary" was the subject of an illustrated lecture presented at the First Baptist church, by Coleman Craig, Associate editor of the Baptist Standard. A crowded church greeted him.

The throngs occupied the auditorium, Sunday school rooms and balconies. Mr. Craig presented pictures which he took while on a recent visit to Palestine. The audience was greatly edified and received much information concerning the Holy Land and the Holy City.

Before presenting the pictures, the lecturer told of conditions in Germany, stating that while there he realized one ambition of many when he became a millionaire for the first time in his life. All he had to do was to change a little good old U. S. A. money into German marks. Also he told of the wreckage in Belgium caused by the war with Germany, saying that while France and Belgium are war scarred, in Germany none can tell that there has ever been a war there, in so far as the appearance of the country is concerned. In view of this he urged tolerance toward France in her demands upon Germany, saying that the people who bring on a war should be expected to pay the bills, if the world would have enduring peace.

On presenting the pictures of Palestine, the crowd learned many things that they did not know of that little country. The speaker said that it was a very small country and could be crossed easily within a day in an automobile. That it had a great part in the civilization of the world, he pointed out was due to it having furnished the birthplace and cradle of Christ and Christian civilization. There are now only two religions in Palestine. They are Mohammedanism and Roman Catholicism, he said. Where the temple of Solomon stood now stands a Mohammed mosque and where the lowly manger stood now stands a Roman Catholic altar. He stated that he had never seen such misery and poverty, squalor and filth as in Jerusalem and the entire country was very disappointing. In discussing the terrible condition of the women of that land, he said that women in Christian lands should be the best of Christians as they owe all they are to the Christ who is unknown in Palestine, his birth place, as he is known in America and other Christian lands.

The lecture included the presentation many Biblical scenes and brought the crowd face to face with the most sacred spots on the earth. They left feeling that they had seen their Savior, emphasized especially by the pictures of conditions in lands where He is not recognized. The pastor, Rev. Joe Jeffers, introduced the speaker and another feature of the program was renditions by the Baptist quartet, composed of Messrs. Beeno, Samford, Harper and Jeffers.

FAIR AND WARMER
CHICAGO, Jan. 7.—Fair weather with warmer temperatures came to the Middle West today as the cold wave blew over to the east and south. More than a score of deaths were recorded in the Central States as a direct result of the frigid blasts over the week-end. The death toll stood at seventeen in Chicago alone. Hundreds of fires—most of them caused by overheated stoves and furnaces—brought property damage estimated at \$2,000,000.

FORT WORTH, Jan. 7.—The trial of C. N. Livingston, 51, charged with murder in connection with the fatal shooting of Alfred Davis, 21, at Grapevine last July, was to open today. A trial venue of 10 men has been drawn from which to select a jury.

Charter No. 12190 Reserve District No. 11
REPORT OF CONDITION OF THE PRENDERGAST-SMITH NATIONAL BANK AT MEXIA, IN THE STATE OF TEXAS, AT THE CLOSE OF BUSINESS ON DECEMBER 31, 1923.

RESOURCES	
1 Loans and discounts, including rediscounts acceptances of other banks; and foreign bills of exchange or drafts sold with indorsement of this bank	\$820,257.97
2 Overdrafts, unsecured	714.82
3 All other United States Government securities (including premiums, if any)	154,062.50
4 Other bonds, stocks, securities, etc.	3,400.00
5 Banking house \$53,200; Furniture & fixtures \$15,646.23	68,846.23
6 Lawful reserve with Federal Reserve Bank	78,109.13
10 Cash in vault and amount due from national banks	154,081.55
11 Amount due from State banks, bankers and trust companies in the United States (other than included in Items 8, 9, and 10)	8,756.58
12 Exchanges for clearing house	8,511.50
13 Total of Items 9, 10, 11, 12, and 13	\$173,249.72
14 Miscellaneous cash items	7,928.35
16 Other assets, if any	281.25
TOTAL	\$1,306,449.97

LIABILITIES	
17 Capital stock paid in	\$100,000.00
18 Surplus fund	12,000.00
19 Undivided profits	2,728.11
22 Amount due to national banks	123,149.07
23 Amount due to State banks, bankers, and trust companies in the United States and foreign countries (other than included in Items 21 or 22)	42,716.58
25 Cashier's checks outstanding	210,731.31
26 Individual deposits subject to check	\$376,597.06
27 Certificates of deposit due in less than 30 days (other than for money borrowed)	794,180.80
30 Dividends unpaid	20,046.00
31 Total of demand deposits (other than bank deposits) subject to Reserve, Items 25, 27, 28, 29, 30, and 31	900.00
TOTAL	\$1,306,449.97

STATE OF TEXAS, County of Limestone, ss:
I, N. Hollingsworth, Cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.
N. HOLLINGSWORTH, Cashier.

CORRECT—ATTEST:
J. Sandford Smith
B. S. Smith
Jack Womack, Directors.
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 7th day of January, 1924.
DAVID MURPHY, Notary Public.

Charter No. 11964 Reserve District No. 11
REPORT OF CONDITION OF THE CITY NATIONAL BANK AT MEXIA IN THE STATE OF TEXAS, AT CLOSE OF BUSINESS ON DECEMBER 31st, 1923.

RESOURCES	
1 Loans and discounts	\$471,466.80
2 Overdrafts	NONE
4 U. S. Government securities owned:	
a Deposited to secure circulation (U. S. bonds par value)	\$100,000.00
b All other United States Government securities (including premiums, if any)	240,807.66
Total	540,807.66
5 Other bonds, stocks, securities, etc.	101,604.73
6 Banking house \$40,900; furniture and fixtures \$14,095.45	54,995.45
7 Real estate owned other than banking house	2,186.87
8 Lawful reserve with Federal Reserve Bank	66,881.92
10 Cash in vault and amount due from national banks	301,877.25
13 Checks on other banks in the same city or town as reporting bank	9,332.27
Total of Items 10 and 13	\$311,209.52
14 Miscellaneous cash items	1,227.79
15 Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer and due from U. S. Treasurer	5,000.00
TOTAL	\$1,354,282.74

LIABILITIES	
17 Capital Stock paid in	\$100,000.00
18 Surplus fund	12,000.00
19 Undivided profits	\$36,951.15
a Reserved for interest and taxes accrued	4,286.78
Less current expenses, interest and taxes paid 22,737.25	17,500.68
20 Circulating notes outstanding	100,000.00
21 Amount due to Federal Reserve Bank (deferred credits)	5,124.54
22 Amount due to national banks	5,149.92
23 Amount due to State banks, bankers, and trust companies in the United States	3,614.55
25 Cashier's checks outstanding	12,848.81
Total of Items 21, 22, 23 and 25	\$26,737.85
26 Individual deposits subject to check	769,162.02
28 State, county, or other municipal deposits secured by pledge of assets of this bank or surety bond	76,057.84
30 Dividends unpaid	5,000.00
Total of demand deposits (other than bank deposits, subject to Reserve, Items 26, 28, 30 \$850,219.86	15,630.40
31 Certificates of deposit (other than for money borrowed) secured by pledge of assets of this bank or surety bond	229,160.19
Total of time deposits subject to Reserve, Items 32, and 33	\$247,799.50
44 Liabilities other than those above stated	24.76
TOTAL	\$1,354,282.74

STATE OF TEXAS, County of Limestone, ss:
I, W. G. Forrest, Cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

W. G. FORREST, Cashier.
CORRECT—ATTEST:
W. W. Barrett
Blake Smith
David Murphy
Emile Nussbaum, Directors.
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 5th day of January, 1924.
SOPHIA E. TRAVIS, Notary Public.

62 pictures, all of which pertain to some athletic team or a band of the University. He also has a collection of Cactuses, the University year book, beginning with the year 1903.

No worry about cooking or the dishes when you eat at the Majestic Cafe. Meals served the family way at 50 cents.

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Mexia Heart of The Pool
Powell 500

Jesse McLendon
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English Boxing Falls Short as Model

By HENRY L. FARRELL
(United Press Sports Editor)

NEW YORK, Jan. 7.—New York, yelping about bad decisions, poor fights, uneven matches, faulty rules and various ills of the boxing business, hears it frequently suggested: "Why not do as the English do?"

Because no yelps are heard on the radio from the other side, it is erroneously believed that in England, where the sport is pictured as being perfectly supervised and conducted, boxing is a well-behaved and well-acting old man.

From the following letter, appearing in a recent issue of "Sporting Life" (London) it may be gathered that while the difficulties there may be minor, they are taken very seriously: "To the Editor:

"Sir: I quite agree that the referee's proper place is outside the ropes, but obviously there is great temptation to get inside.

"The M. C.'s request that there should be 'silence during the rounds' has become a dead letter in all the bigger halls, such as Olympia, Albert, and Holland Park. Even that great referee Jack Anglo is neither a megaphone nor a fog-horn, and I fail to see how he could make himself heard in the ring when the bulk of the spectators lose their heads and yell in mad excitement.

"Should a conscientious referee retire and refuse to act if the onlookers refused to behave themselves another would be found to take his place.

"It must be recollected that a large percentage of pugilists are ornamented with cauliflower ears and have impaired hearing, so, unless silence reigns at the order 'Stop,' one combatant might drop his hands whilst the other carried on, with disastrous results to his opponent.

"A claim for a foul is, at times, a problem somewhat difficult to solve. "As an illustration—a man stopped boxing and claimed a foul—I, as referee, was watching every move with the keenest scrutiny, and will credit the judges with being equally on the qui vive. None of us saw a foul, so, of course, the claim was not allowed, and the other man was proclaimed the winner.

"Shortly afterwards this winner, in the most sportsmanlike and honorable manner volunteered the statement: I am sorry to say that I did accidentally foul him with my knee."

"It might not have been a very serious blow and left no mark, but enough to put a man temporarily out of action.

Believing my decision to have been erratic, saved my conscience by making the loser a present, with which he was completely satisfied. Luckily it was only a minor event, and a challenge to a return match may have been issued.

"Claude Champion De Crespigny," American referees probably would not care to see the custom introduced in this country of giving prizes as "salve" to defeated boxers.

Just out, the widest read magazine, circulated in Mexia, February 1923. Get them while they last. Pioneer News Stand.

For Smart Sports Wear



THERE are sweaters and sweaters, but nothing seems to take the place of the heavy brushed wool sweater for outdoor wear. School girls and college girls find it one of the most popular garments in their wardrobe, not only for skating and skiing and athletic meets, but for general wear as well.

The brushed wool slipover is not confined to the school girl, however. For her mother, sister, her mother and her a new slipover is one of the most desirable knitted outerwear products. It is one of those happily designed garments where style and comfort meet, and due to the fact that it may be worn with or without a coat, is equally at home in town or country.

Colors and collars also have much to do with the popularity of the brushed wool slipover. For those of conservative tastes, there are colors that will please, and for those wishing something to agree with a gay mood, there are any number of colors and color combinations. Stripes in keeping with fashion's edicts, play an extremely important part.

One of the newest sweaters has a collar standing up just at the back which serves a utilitarian purpose, being a perfect wind-shield, and also introduces an individual style note.

Copyright by Ruth Arneson Fashion Service.

Patterson's Column



As moves the universe so does every thing else.

Nothing is permanent but change. It is true even in business.

A business must either advance or go backward. There is no middle ground.

The business man who takes fright at every little wisp of a cloud that shows up on the horizon, will never get any where.

It is better to be blown away by a cyclone occasionally than to spend all your life in a storm cellar.

When I was forced by excessive rental demands to remove to another location, I selected what to my mind was the best location in Mexia—and got it.

I did not quibble about the rent for I am a quick trader. It took me two minutes to trade with Doc Corley. I asked what he wanted and he told me and I said "I'll take it,"—and I'm glad I did, all be it I had to spend a lot of coin getting the place in shape. I still get the same size building for approximately one half what was asked for the other.

One of my first promises to Mexia people was a first class up-to-date store where they could get their requirements in jewelry and kindred lines at moderate prices with the assurance of high quality.

My stock has always been of the best quality but until the present time I have been prevented from arranging a nice store because I could not get a favorable lease.

This situation has now been remedied, and I invite Mexia to visit us at our NEW LOCATION, between Corley Furniture Co., and Karner and Phillips—the location formerly occupied by LAWSON SEWELL dry Goods Co.

While we are by no means through renovating yet, we are in position to wait upon you. I am enlarging my stock of VICTOR and COLUMBIA RECORDS and shall carry by far the largest stock of late records in this part of the state.

Come and see us. —PATTERSON.

THIS IS THE MONTH
To wipe the slate clean.
To keep all of the stock warm.
To plan the crops and plot the ground.

To smoke the meat. Cheese cloth sewed over the pieces will keep the skippers out.

To make up breeding pens. A general rule is to mate hens with cockerels and pullets with older males.

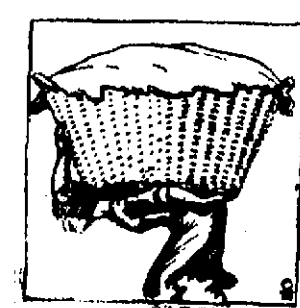
To get new blood into the poultry flock. An extra dollar or two for a good cockerel is money well invested.

To study the different makes of incubators, and order yours early. Late orders may cause serious delays.

To cover the strawberries with straw. It is the freezing and thawing of late winter and early spring that hurts.

To warm the ax and other steel tools before using. In cold weather, a piece is easily chipped out with a little strain.

To roughen the horses' shoes on icy days. Nothing is more pitiful than to see a horse injured by a fall on a slippery road.—Farm Life.



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NEW - WAY LAUNDRY

Odd Fellows Instal Officers

At the regular meeting of Mexia Lodge No. 48, I. O. O. F. held last Tuesday night officers for the ensuing term were installed as follows: Dan Hall, special district grand master acting as installing officer:

F. Tomlinson, N. G.

S. K. Hall, V. G.

F. W. Evans, Secretary.

H. Chitwood, Treasurer.

E. A. Hawkins, R. S. to N. G.

M. D. Watson, L. S. to N. G.

R. W. Ivey, Warden.

John R. Bales, Conductor.

Wm. Parsons, R. S. S.

Ed. R. Farrar, L. S. S.

Joe H. Seagler, O. G.

G. W. Smith, I. G.

C. J. Oliver, Chaplain

B. W. Ehrlich, R. S. to V. G.

J. A. Thompson, L. S. to V. G.

Dan Hall, representative to grand lodge.

O. Kennedy, alternate representative.

This lodge, organized less than a year ago, has increased its membership from about thirty five at organization, to more than one hundred, and is still growing, enrolling as members the best material to be found for fraternal work. They meet every Tuesday night at Knights of Pythias hall and have degree work every meeting. Visitors are always welcome.

SEEING THINGS

HOUSTON, Texas, Jan. 7.—He was a big stalwart fellow. From his clothing and demeanor you could tell he was from the country.

"I wish you'd lock me up—I'm seeing things."

"Been drinking Jake?" police asked.

"Yes," he replied.

Now he's locked up still seeing things that he can't get away from.

Walter Ezell, who was in the newspaper business here some thirty years ago, was in the city Monday from his home in Denver, meeting old time friends and attending to some business.



A Health Food for Frail Children

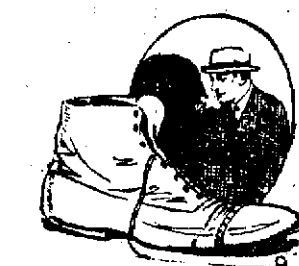
SCOTT'S EMULSION

Ring Darder Will Not Run For the U. S. Presidency

In Good Housekeeping's Presidential straw vote, Ring Darder, famous humorist, received one vote. When notified, Darder refused to run. He said:

"To all U. S. Citizens:

I just been notified by the Good Housekeeping Magazine that a lady out in my home state of Michigan casted a vote for me for President of the U. S. and before the movement develops into a landslide would like to exclaim that not under no conditions will I run for same or allow my name to be placed on the ballots as I am a good deal like Henry Ford which I don't mean financial but the both of us is perfectly satisfied with the present incumbence. Further and more they tell me the White House has got to have over \$400,000 worth of repairs which could not happen to the house which I am living in it at present so why the he—ll jump from the frying pan into a bake oven like Washington?"



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D. Prickett Shoe Shop

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D. PRICKETT SHOE SHOP
Opposite Post Office

A Shiek in His Natural State

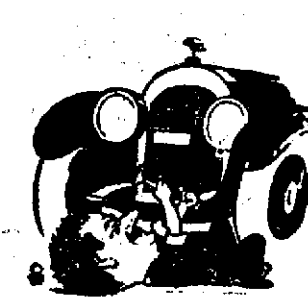
HOUSTON, Texas, Jan. 7.—He was a "shiek." His habitat was the ornate entrance of a luxurious downtown hotel. He smiled fatuously at young women who were lucky enough to pass his way.

But all his "shiekiness" was on the outside.

When the "parade" had thinned he was seen to "mooch" a half dollar from a stranger standing by and repair to a cheap "beanery" where atop a tall stool he ravenously gobbled down coarse food.

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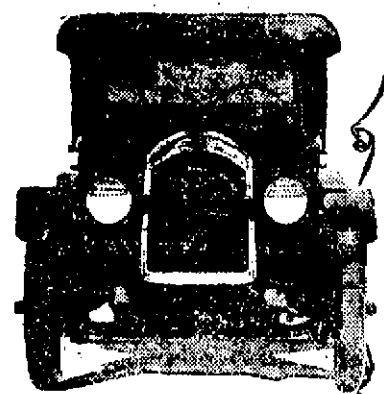
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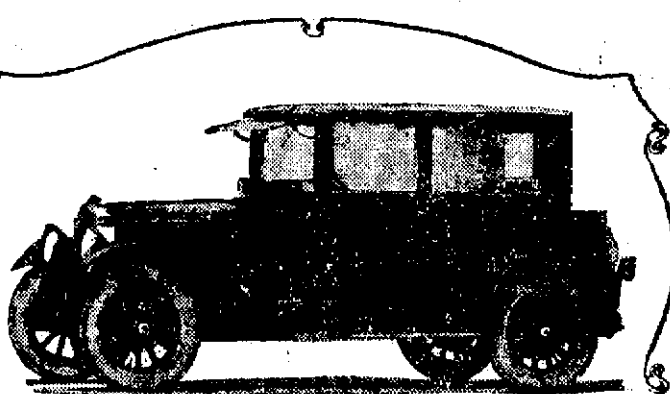
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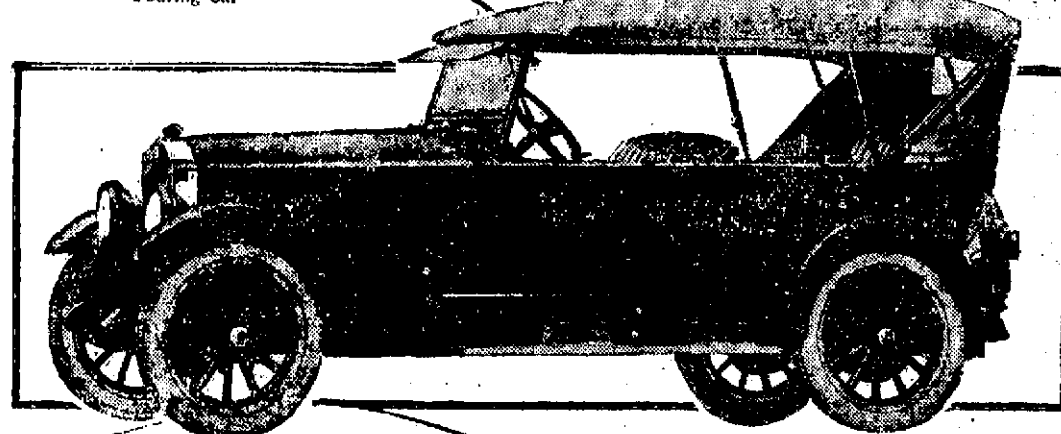
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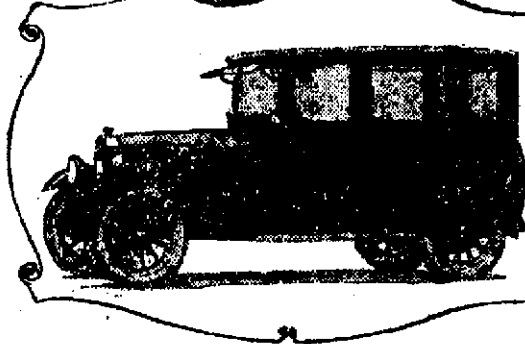
Front View-Studebaker Special-Six Touring Car



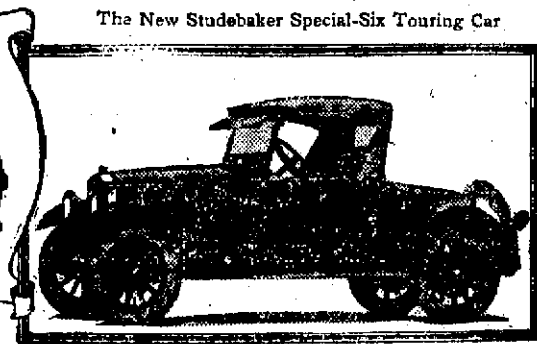
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Leap Year Surprise Party Is Given For Miss Reuby Norton

The girls do the asking.

Friends of Miss Reuby Lee Norton planned a Leap Year surprise party in her honor on Saturday evening last and proved that all novel ideas for entertainment have not yet been exhausted, and naturally so, the ladies of the party having full control over all festivities.

At eight o'clock all participants assembled in the spacious living room of the Henry Homestead and for several hours enjoyed to the full the lure of music and dance. At eleven the happy assembly was called to order and after a short introductory address, explaining the object of the gathering, the guest of honor was presented by each and every one of her friends present with some article that would be useful to her upon her contemplated trip to the shores of the Sunny Pacific. In presenting their chosen gift, the donor accompanied the presentation with a few verses in rhyme apropos of the occasion and of the article in question. Being impromptu and unexpected, many of the presentation speeches possibly lacked the meter of true poetry but one and all expressed the appreciation and forethought of the donor and the sorrow each and every one felt in losing from their midst the charming and lovable lady who has built up such a large circle of true friends during her all too brief stay in Mexia.

It is universally felt that not only Dr. Brown and the Brown Hospital will suffer an almost irreparable loss in the departure of Miss Norton from our fair city but, she will leave a place in the hearts of innumerable friends that will indeed be hard to fill. It was the hope of all present that not only would the absence be but of short duration but also that in the very near future she may return to this place that has been her home for the past year and renew and still further strengthen the many friendships she has already cemented by her unfailing courtesy, ability and the true sympathy that is hers.

Immediately following the presentation ceremonies of buffet luncheon, arranged as only Monte can arrange it was served in the dining room and the

palates of the Roman epicures were never satiated by viands more delicious than those provided by the ladies responsible and it was indeed hard for the male element to resist sampling the numerous delicacies while waiting for the toast to be proposed and drunk to the honored guest.

After another short exemplification of terpsichorean grace the party broke up regretfully but with the hope that in the very near future all might be gathered together again without the thought of parting.

Those participating to make the evening a success were: Mesdames O. B. Siler, D. H. Dorset, A. H. Eubanks, C. O. Denning, Rose Parker, Misses E. M. Holden, Mable Herin and Mary Carlton and the following ticket buyers O. B. Siler, Dr. D. H. Dorset, A. H. Eubanks, C. O. Denning, Dr. C. P. McKenzie, J. H. Barnes, J. E. Urschel and J. G. McIntosh and the lady in whose honor the affair was planned, Miss Reuby Lee Norton.

Horseshoe Was Bad Luck for Her

FORT WORTH, Texas, Jan. 7.—A boy's superstition recently cost Mrs. Bessie Rubenstein the loss of two teeth.

Jess Calvin, 9, wandering along the street found an old horseshoe. Eagerly seizing it, he spit on both sides and threw it over his shoulder "for luck."

Mrs. Rubenstein, walking behind him, was struck in the face with the horseshoe, losing two front teeth.

A frog and a lizard, previously unknown to science, were recently found in Colombia.

A Strength giving Food For Girls
SCOTT'S EMULSION

Local News

Prior to 1825 all women's shoes were made without heels.

Westminster is receiving a coat of whitewash to prevent it from rotting.

Misses Renolds and De Long announce the reopening of the Kindergarten Monday.

The plumbers did a good business the past few days repairing broken pipes and water pipes.

K. L. Hall, traveling representative for Trinity University, spent Sunday in Mexia with his family.

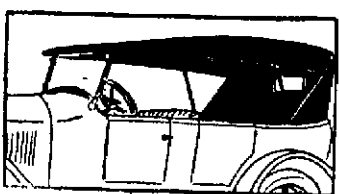
Charles Alderman, who is attending school in Tennessee, spent part of the holidays here with his mother.

Mrs. C. M. Alderman spent the holidays with her daughter in Oklahoma, but is back at her duties as librarian.

The Mexia Public Schools resumed work this morning after a two weeks vacation for the holidays, and all is activity again among pupils and teachers.

Rev. E. H. Hudson, the new pastor of the First Presbyterian church, writes from Beaverville that he expects to arrive in Mexia during this week and begin his pastorate next Sunday.

J. D. Attingham, Jr., and Rufus McKenzie left Sunday for Lebanon, Tenn.



THE TOP IS Important!

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to resume their studies at Castle Heights Military Academy, after spending the holidays here with their parents.

Hammick Thomas, the colored porter in the Daily News office, met with an accident Saturday night while at his work, in which he suffered the fracture of his right arm just above the wrist. He will be laid up for several days.

Pocket gophers, living near Los Angeles show no appreciable differences from the fossil gophers which lived in California 200,000 years ago.

Methodists Will Girls Dormitory At State University

AUSTIN, Texas, Jan. 7.—Work on the erection of the new \$100,000 dormitory for Methodist girls at the University of Texas here, will start February 1, according to Mrs. T. A. Brown of Austin, chairman of the Methodist State Board of Control.

The board in charge of the building expects to receive \$68,000 from the headquarters of the Methodist Cen-

tenary Fund at Nashville to help in the erection of the dormitory. The Methodist churches of Texas will raise the remainder.

Bessemer steel was first made in this country in September, 1864, at an experimental plant at Wyandotte, Mich.

Friday was the most popular day for wedding among the Jews in medieval times.

I have opened a new shoe shop at City Hotel and have installed new equipment. Am equipped to do you shoe repairing at prices that are right. Good work. R. A. Day.

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Attention Farmers

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WHAT ABOUT THEM?

There's no distress like widowhood! Particularly is this true where no money or estate is left for her surviving days.

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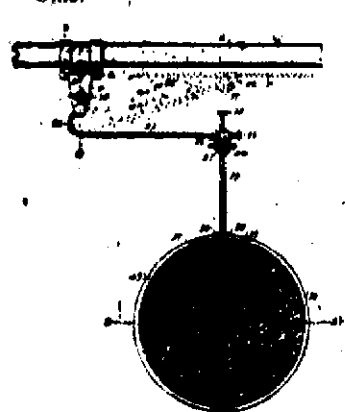
ROOM 4 WHITE BUILDING

Latest Patents of Interest to Motorists

Recently Granted by U. S. Patent Office

Compiled by CLARENCE A. O'BRIEN, Registered Patent Attorney, Washington, D. C.

1,477,312. ANTI-GLARE ATTACHMENT. Albert F. Casky, Tiffin, Ohio.



2. An anti-glare attachment for motor vehicles comprising a supporting rod, a clamping device for connecting said rod with a support, a pair of hinged coupling plates positioned against said rod and formed with registering openings, an adjustable hanger rod, a clamping bolt extending through said openings and having its head provided with an opening for the reception of said hanger rod, a clamping nut mounted on said bolt for shifting said plates to clamping position with respect to the supporting rod and to provide for the clamping of the hanger rod to one of said plates by the head of the bolt, a holder adjustably connected between said holder and said hanger rod and a shield carried by the holder.

1,477,275. COMBINED BUMPER AND FENDER FOR MOTOR VEHICLES. Alfred C. McCloskey, Philadelphia, Pa., assignor to Frederic W. Bacon, Philadelphia, Pa.



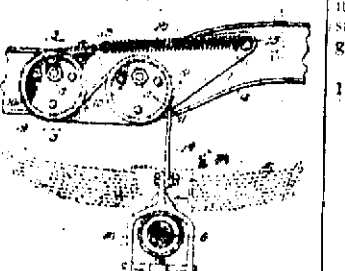
4. The combination with a motor vehicle of a fender largely supported at one end, a bumper carried by said fender and resiliently supported between its front end rear, and a spring means adjustably controlled by the device for controlling the fender either to raise or to lower and lower it, and an automatic means connected with the bumper for raising the release and lowering of the fender.

1,477,285. COMBINED STOP LIGHT AND TAIL LAMP. Harry A. Ripper, Cleveland, Ohio, assignor to Beacon Motor Lamp Manufacturing Company, Cleveland, Ohio, a Corporation.



2. A device of the kind described comprising a casing having the edges thereof, a partition arranged in said casing and subdividing the same into two compartments, said partition having depending legs, the front edges of said partition also having an upwardly extending lug and upwardly extending apertured ears, a stop signal plate positioned against the lug extending lug of the partition, a name plate positioned against the flanges of the partition and legs, and a tail lamp plate positioned against the inwardly projecting flange of the casing and a flanged frame plate arranged upon the front of the casing, screws passing through said frame plate and engaging the aperture ears of the partition, said frame plate having openings opposite the stop signal plate, name plate and tail lamp plate.

1,477,289. REBOUND CHECK SHOCK ABSORBER. Edward Arnold Tvedahl, Chicago, Ill., assignor to one-half to Joseph F. Davis, Chicago, Ill.



1. A shock absorber comprising an attaching bracket, a pair of non-rotating, horizontally aligned drums, each drum being hollow and open at its outer end, fastening bolts extending through the drums and the bracket, the head of the bolts being housed

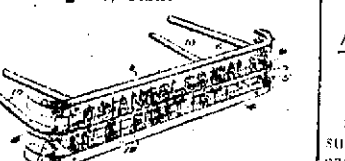
within the hollow drums and accessible through the open outer ends thereof, spacer sleeves on the bolts and in rear of the bracket, a friction strap engaging the drums, one end of the strap depending from one of the drums, and provided with means for connection with the axle of a vehicle, and a substantially horizontal helical spring having one end secured to the other end of the friction strap and its opposite end secured to the bracket, the drums, strap and spring all being in the same vertical plane.

1,476,477. AUTOMOBILE JACK. Van Vincent Curtis, McAllen, Tex.



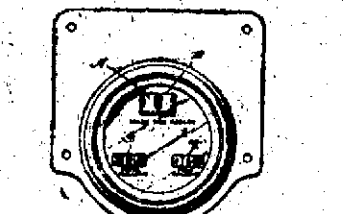
A lifting jack including a base, a threaded shaft movable through the base and having a head, said head having a cut out portion, a lever pivotally supported by the head, a curved ratchet bar secured to the lever and movable between the walls of the cut out portion, the ratchet bar having teeth formed on the upper surface thereof, a pawl pivotally supported within the walls of the cut out portion and disposed above the ratchet bar, said pawl adapted to automatically fall by gravity into engagement with the ratchet bar to lock the lever in its positions of adjustment, and said lever having a curved article engaging extremity.

1,477,067. BUMPER FOR VEHICLES. Jasper Christians Lawson, Los Angeles, Calif.



1. A bumper comprising a plurality of similar bars adjustably held in spaced parallel relation, adjacent bars having their confronting sides adapted for engagement with the opposite ends of characters consisting of letters or the like.

1,477,459. MILES-PER-GALLON REGISTER. Clinton Wallace Hough, Boonville, N. Y.



1. In a vacuum operated miles per gallon register, a casing, an odometer element, a dial mounted in said casing to operate in a horizontal plane and having thereon a miles per gallon scale, a slidable actuator for said odometer element, a check device for the dial, a diaphragm unit within the casing and including a plunger, and means operated by said plunger for shifting said slidable actuator and releasing said check device.

1,477,031. AUTOMOBILE ROBE HOLDER. George Canning, Los Angeles, Calif.



2. A robe holder for automobiles comprising a casing approximately circular in cross section, a spring actuated roller mounted within the casing, the roller being approximately diamond-shaped in cross section, hooks pivoted along one edge of the roller, the casing having a longitudinally extending opening, and a robe detachably engaged by said hooks.

1,477,165. AUTOMOBILE LOCK. Ransom J. Debbelaar, Newark, N. J.



2. An automobile lock comprising a support having parallel slots, a lock casing between the slots, bolts slidable in the casing and adapted to be projected from opposite sides of the casing across the slots, a pinion between the bolts to cause their simultaneous operation, a lock in the casing, and a second pinion operated from the lock and in mesh with one of the bolts.

ROBSTOWN SHIPS SPECIAL TRAIN OF PLANTING SEED

ROBSTOWN, Jan. 7.—What is believed to have been the first solid trainload of cotton planting seed ever shipped by a single Texas breeder to the particular section of the state, was made from this point during the past week, and was consigned to points in the lower Rio Grande Valley. The shipment was made by S. Maston Nixon, local breeder and grower of Blue Wagon staple cotton seed, and consisted of a special train of seventeen carloads of his products.

The heavy movement of special staple planting seed shipped by local dealers to all sections of Texas and Oklahoma during the past season indicated that cotton growers are awakening to the merits and value of seed bred and multiplied in the famous Robstown district, where the per-acre yield is phenomenally high and the fields entirely free of "dead" cotton.—Robstown Record.

On account of trouble with the heating plant at the First Baptist church Sunday, that congregation was dismissed prior to the morning service and many of the members attended other services in the city. At night a great audience heard and saw the illustrated lecture by Mr. Craig.

CONGREGATION IS GLAD OF PASTOR'S ARRIVAL

Splendid audiences greeted the new pastor, Rev. Victor K. Aubrey of St. Joseph, Missouri, at the Central Presbyterian church at both morning and evening hours Sunday. The congregation is much enthused over prospects for a great year of service in 1924 and are happy to welcome their new pastor and his estimable family.

Misses Alma McKenzie and Margaret left Sunday for Lebanon, Tenn., to resume their studies at Cumberland University, after spending the holidays at home.

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MYSTERY SURROUNDS MOVIE SHOOTING.



Edna Dimes, Edna Purviance, Mrs. Eleanor Hawley, and Mabel Normand

Coasting stories are still being told regarding the shooting of "Dimes," the picture of the famous actress, Edna Dimes, who, with Edna Purviance, another film star, was present during the shooting. Dimes was married in 1915 to Davis Cornsman, a famous Denver girl, and after being divorced by him three years later he married Mrs. Eleanor Hawley, a pretty widow of Fall River, Mass., who secured a divorce in 1923, allegedly "criminally."

Speakers Compete For T. U. Prizes

AUSTIN, Texas, Jan. 7.—Students at the University of Texas with oratorical talent have a chance each year to win part of the \$400 offered at the school for winners in the various public speaking and debate contests. In addition, a silver loving cup and a gold watch are listed as prizes, the former prize going, however, to the debating society that wins over the others. The first public speaking prize is one of \$25, which will be awarded to the best declaimers among the freshmen students, both men and women. This contest is held on February 12. Any first year or freshman student may try for the prize.

The contest which determines the University's intercollegiate debating team will be held on January 15. John E. Quaid of El Paso contributes three prizes of \$75, \$50 and \$25 for the respective teams finishing in the first three places.

On March 29, the contest in extempore speaking is held. The winners in both the men's and women's divisions of this contest received an award of \$50 each. Any undergraduate student may participate.

On April 8 will be held the contest in oratory, open to all male students in the University. Prizes of \$50, \$30 and \$20 are given to the first three winners, respectively. The winner of first place represents the University in the Texas State Oratorical Association. H. A. Wroe of Austin is the donor of these prizes.

The intersociety debate is yearly

held on May 12. H. A. Wroe offers the winning society a silver loving cup. The best speaker is given a gold watch by Carl Mayer, Austin jeweler. The cup does not, however, become the permanent property of the winning society unless it is won for three successive years.

Another prize handled by the public speaking department is the W. J. Bryan prize for the best essay on good government. The person winning this prize is given the interest on a fund of \$400.

DALLAS NEWS STAFF MAN IN THE FIELD

Curtis Vinson, Staff Correspondent for the Dallas Morning News, is a local visitor today. He is now preparing a series of articles on the conditions and prospects for 1924 in the oil fields of Texas. Mexico is to be among the first studied and his articles will be watched for with great interest and will no doubt have a great part in the program for development of this resource of Texas within the coming year. He has discovered a feeling of optimism in this part of Texas, which no doubt will be the state of mind observed in other Texas fields.

L. B. Aultman of the law firm of Aultman and Byers, has returned from Corsicana where he has spent much of the time since the discovery of the Powell oil field. He states that he is back permanently this time and is mighty glad to be home again, after a very busy period in Navarro County.

E. L. Smith left today for Corsicana.

TRANSPORTATION CONFERENCE MEETS AT CAPITAL WEDNESDAY

WASHINGTON, Jan. 7.—(United Press.)—Transportation on needs of rest and, at the same time, encourage the United States, considered from the angle of the manufacturer, the farmer, the banker, the consumer and every body else concerned, will be studied at a national transportation conference which will convene here Wednesday under the auspices of the Chamber of Commerce of the United States. The session will last three days. The conference is intended to bring together in intelligent form, for the benefit of congress, the thought of leaders in various lines upon the transportation problem.

Every state is expected to be represented among the 200 or more delegates who assembled at the call of Julius H. Barnes, president of the chamber.

The conference will have before it the studies and recommendations by a special committee of the chamber, which spent eight months recently delving into the question. These specific questions will be taken up: What is the probable future of transportation growth?

What principle of regulations, federal, state or local, should be adopted? What principles of rate making hold most fairly the scale of relative rates? Where does highway and motor under the auspices of the Chamber of Commerce of the United States? How can waterways be made to contribute their greatest service? The idea of such a conference as that which met today was first suggested a year ago at an informal conference of representatives of transportation and business men. Secretary of Commerce Hoover also attended.

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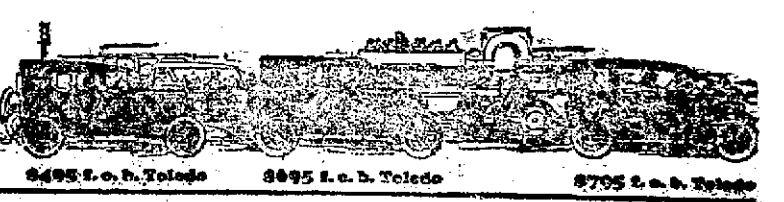
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FREEZE KILLS FIFTY IN PAST SIXTY HOURS

Bandit Hordes Surround Party Of Americans Methodist Enter Upon Ambitious Program For 1924

Chicago Is Hit Hardest With 18 Deaths Reported

Approximate fifty persons died during the past sixty hours in the United States, as a result of the intense cold wave. A major portion of the casualties was listed in the Middle West where the Norther was fiercest. Many froze to death while others were burned and victims of accidents brought on due to icy conditions. In Chicago alone 18 deaths were reported during this time.

According to weather Bureau reports, temperatures will slowly rise today and tomorrow. It will be somewhat warmer tonight.

ATLANTA, Ga., Jan. 7.—Heavy property damage and intense suffering was caused throughout the Southeast over the week-end by low temperatures. The weather moderated slightly today, after reaching zero Sunday, the coldest in a quarter of a century.

Truck farms suffered heavy loss from the cold weather.

Three died from cold in Macon and three sailors were frozen to death near New Orleans.

Numerous fires were reported including a blaze which destroyed the boys' high school here with a loss of \$60,000.

Three Cars Pile Up Injuring Two Bellaire Drivers

HOUSTON, Texas, Jan. 7.—Two drivers of racing cars were recovering today from injuries received when three cars piled up together at the close of a race on the Bellaire Speedway here late Sunday.

P. F. Stubbfield, of Kansas City, and Rex Edwards, of Houston, suffered severe body bruises and Stubbfield's arm was broken. F. W. Roemer, a third driver, was uninjured.

Roaring down the home stretch, Stubbfield's car struck Roemer's who finished first and somersaulted, crashing into Edwards' car which came in second.

Cold Kills Three Seamen Near N.O.

NEW ORLEANS, La., Jan. 7.—Three seamen lost their lives as a result of the severe cold wave and accompanying gales which sent the mercury to 15 above.

The sailors—C. W. Allom, G. W. Hoff and P. E. DuBarry, perished from exposure while on the top deck of a stranded barge in Lake Borgne enroute from Mobile to New Orleans.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Numa of Corsicana spent Sunday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Berry.

Major N. P. Houx is a Groesbeck visitor today.

Admiral Palmer Named to Shipping Board.



Admiral L. C. Palmer

Rear Admiral Leigh C. Palmer, U. S. Navy, retired, has been named by President Coolidge to be chairman of the U. S. Shipping Board. Admiral Palmer served during a greater part of the World War as chief of the Bureau of Navigation.

PREMIER LENIN RECOVERING RAPIDLY

By ISAAC DON LEVINE (U. S. Staff Correspondent)
Special Cable Dispatch

MOSCOW, Jan. 6.—Premier Lenin has been restrained with difficulty, from taking over the helm of the Soviet government. His condition is such that if those around him permitted, Lenin would again be presiding over the Soviet.

Last week during the party debates Lenin was in an automobile and all ready to start for an important meeting but was finally persuaded to return and follow the regime that had been prescribed for him.

Lenin's recovery has surprised his physicians and proven their diagnosis wrong. The doctors thought that Lenin would never again be able to read but a fortunate accident disclosed to the contrary. During his daily wheel chair trips out of doors Lenin was by error taken out of the private beaten path and down a frequented alley where he passed two men reading a newspaper.

Lenin motioned towards them, seized the newspaper and read greedily for an hour, displaying the greatest interest in the news of the day and causing general astonishment on all hands.

Since then Lenin has been a different medical treatment and is progressing rapidly and recovering the complete use of his limbs, hands and mental faculties.

NEWS PORTER BREAKS

ARM SATURDAY NIGHT
Hamrick Thomas, porter at the News Publishing Company, sustained a broken arm, just above his wrist, while assisting in the stereotype room Saturday night. He was given medical attention at once. He will be absent from his work quite a while on account of the injury.

Improvements To Be Made On Local Property At Cost Of Approximately \$23,000

By unanimous decision the Board of Stewards of the First Methodist Church, at its regular monthly meeting last week decided on church improvements to the property here entailing an expenditure of approximately \$23,000.

The subject was presented to the congregation at the morning hour Sunday, David Murphy, Chairman of the Finance Committee making the statement to the congregation for the Board.

In the Church News of the week distributed at the morning and evening hours was a complete statement of facts and appeals by the pastor, Rev. W. B. Andrews and by the chairman of the Board of Stewards, Noel Hollingsworth.

The needs of the church as outlined were, a new pipe organ, to cost \$7,100; heating plant, \$1,732; Furnishings, \$2,000; Paving, \$2,000; note, past due, \$1,000.

A meeting of the finance committee will be held at the Methodist parsonage Monday night at which time, the membership rolls will be gone over carefully and a plan completed for raising the necessary fund and to put over the ambitious program at once. Already the pipe organ has been ordered and is now on the way here. The committee, as Mr. Murphy said and as the Board knows, will be able to put the program across with everyone showing a spirit of co-operation. The pastors appeal is as follows:

The First Methodist Church of Mexia begins the new year under most favorable conditions. We have an enrollment of 661 members, and this represents an active membership. Last October a Church Conference was held, and 93 names of people who had moved away, were dropped from the roll. Be it said to our credit that this 661 membership represents people of all walks of life. We may add to the statement of Lord when He said, "The poor have the gospel preached to them, and say 'All classes of people have the gospel preached to them.'"

The preaching services are well attended, and the various organizations of the Church are running smoothly and on schedule.

The Woman's Missionary Society has been wearing the laurels as being the most versatile organization in the Church, but they must look well to their honors else the Board of Stewards will put them in second place.

Our Church has a most ambitious program for the new year: A Pipe Organ, a Steam Heating Plant for the Church, and the Completion of the Basement. At a meeting of the Board of Stewards January 3, it was estimated that these improvements, with some minor items, will cost \$23,000, and it was agreed unanimously that this money shall be raised at once. Brother David Murphy is chairman of the committee having this task in hand. These improvements are for the benefit of everyone and we want all to have an opportunity to make a contribution. In your pledge let the Bible plan be the basis: "As the Lord has prospered you."

The statement by the Board of Stewards, is as follows: After a careful and prayerful consideration of the needs of our church, the Board of Stewards, Thursday evening, January the 3rd, enthusiastically approved a campaign to raise approximately \$23,000 for such improvements as will increase the service of our church and without which our \$50,000 investment in this church edifice is hampered. The Board joins the pastor in insisting upon the motto known to every Texan, "Be sure you are right and go ahead." We know we are right and our great congregation will not hesitate in the presence of duty. Then our church will be enabled to fulfill its mission in this community. We invoke the partnership of God in all our undertakings, and He is the best, the

richest, the kindest and most considerate partner known to this world. He offers to furnish all the materials, do much the largest work and share most of the profits with us.

Brother David Murphy is Chairman of the Committee to raise the finances. He reports the needs as follows:

Pipe Organ Fund \$ 7,100.00
Heating Plant \$ 1,732.00
Furnishings \$ 2,000.00
Paving \$ 2,000.00
Note, past due \$ 1,000.00
Total \$22,562.00

Let everyone decide to do their duty in this important service and be ready to carry your part of the load when placed before you.

NOEL HOLLINGSWORTH,
Chairman of Board of Stewards.

American Legion To Meet Tuesday

Post Commander Owen F. Watkins of the American Legion announces that dues for 1924 membership are now due. He urges that all payments be made as promptly as possible.

The first meeting of the New Year will be held Tuesday, when the ladies auxiliary will serve the luncheon at the legion hall. These affairs are always extremely enjoyable to the ones who gather from time to time and it is hoped that a large attendance will mark the opening meeting of 1924. The Auxiliary will have another meeting at the afternoon Tuesday, at 3:30, at which time officers for the year will be elected. Every member is invited.

METHODIST MINISTER

PLEASED WITH OUTLOOK
Rev. G. W. Kincheoloe of the Mexia Methodist circuit returned Monday from Horn Hill where he spent Sunday. He reports the work of the church starting off satisfactorily. Many Methodists throughout the charge are taking The Texas Christian Advocate, under the new management and plan. He sent in seven subscriptions today.

On returning home, he reported much excitement prevailing around the Humphreys test near Groesbeck, where preparations were complete for bringing it in.

Battleship Is Adrift Off Delaware Coast

(Bulletin By U. S.)

WASHINGTON, Jan. 7.—United States Battleship Louisiana is adrift thirty miles at sea off the Delaware coast, according to a radiogram from Hampton Roads, Va., received here tonight by the navy department.

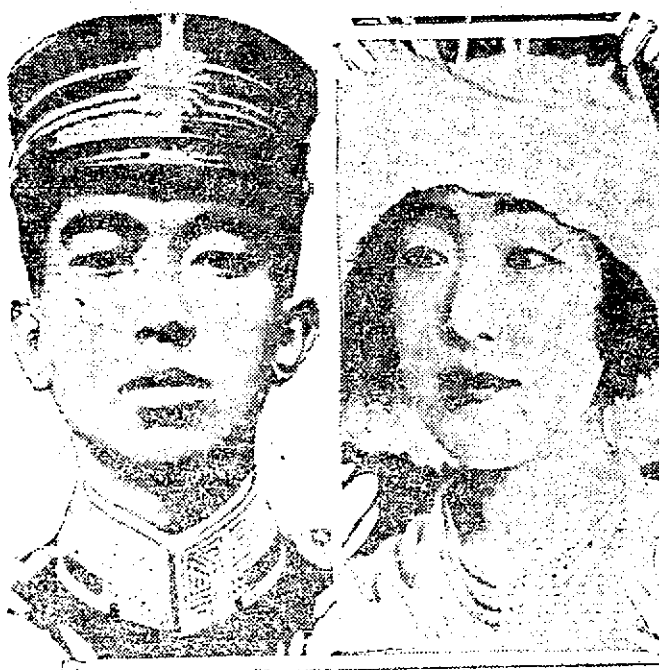
The war vessel, recently sold to a private company for scrapping was being towed by two tugs when she went adrift.

Naval vessels are trying to locate her.

J. W. Glenn, District Manager of the Southwestern Bell Telephone Company, with headquarters at Corsicana, was a Mexia visitor Monday.

J. H. Evetts, Commercial Agent of the Southern Pacific Lines, of Corsicana, is a business visitor in Mexia today.

JAPAN'S PRINCE REGENT WEDS JAN. 27.



Prince Hirohito & Princess Nagako Kuni

The date of the wedding of Prince Regent Hirohito of Japan, who has been the ruler of Japan since the Mikado's mind gave way, to Princess Nagako Kuni has been definitely set for January 27. The wedding was to have occurred in December, but was postponed because of the earthquake disaster.

Plans Being Made For This Summer's C. M. T. Training

Word has been received from the Officer in Charge of the C. M. T. C. for the 8th Corps Area, which includes the States of Texas, Oklahoma, Colorado, Arizona and New Mexico, that elaborate plans are now under way for the continuance of the Government summer camps for young men, which proved so popular during the last three summers.

Three thousand young men received an outing at Government expense during August of 1923. These young men were distributed to camps at Fort Sam Houston, Texas, Fort Sill, Oklahoma, Fort Logan, Colorado and Fort Huachuca, Arizona. Each of the above mentioned camps were wonderful locations and every facility was made available for a very pleasant vacation. According to the present plans, the camps for 1924 are to be held at the same Army Posts as those of 1923, they being considered the very best for the purpose in the Eighth Corps Area.

The branches of instruction offered will be the same as last year and will include instruction in Infantry, Cavalry, Field Artillery, Engineers, Coast Artillery, Signal Corps and Air Service. There will be four courses offered, including a Basic Red Course, which gives fundamental training, but does not instruct in any particular branch of the service, featuring mostly study in citizenship; the Advanced Red Course, which gives basic instruction in branches desired; the White Course, for which graduates of last year's Advanced Red Course who were certified as eligible for admission to the White Course, are qualified, fitting students to be noncommissioned officers in the Organized Reserves or the National Guard; the Blue Course, for which graduates of last year's White Course who were certified as eligible for admission to the Blue Course, are qualified; the graduates of this course who are of the proper age and who possess the necessary educational qualifications are fitted for commissions in the Organized Reserve Corps.

The age limits are the same as for last year; 17 to 21 for Red Courses, 18 to 24 for the White Course; 19 to 24 for the Blue Course. These age limits do not apply to those who attended a Citizens Military Training Camp in 1922 and 1923.

According to a recent decision from the Adjutant General's Office, Washington, D. C. young men who have graduated from the Blue Course and who are eligible and qualified for commissions in the Officers Reserve Corps, but who have not been commissioned on account of being under age at the date of the opening of the camp will be authorized to attend the Citizens Military Training Camp as Blue students. These graduates,

while attending the camp, are recognized as acting officers and will be given as many of the responsibilities and privileges of an officer as found practicable.

Formal application blanks are now being distributed from headquarters of the Eighth Corps Area, Fort Sam Houston, Texas, and young men of the proper qualifications will find it to their advantage to mail requests for applications to the C. M. T. C. Officer, Fort Sam Houston, Texas, as early a date as possible. By having your application on file, you will be given the benefit of priority of receipt of same and will at an early date be definitely notified of your acceptance.

NO EMBARGO TO BE PLACED ON ARMS TO OLD MEXICO

WASHINGTON, Jan. 7.—The U. S. government will exert its influence to prevent the sale of arms to Mexican revolutionaries but without proclamation of embargo by the President. No reputable American manufacturing concern will sell arms against the advice of the government. Therefore it is claimed no official embargo is necessary.

CONGRESS TODAY

Senator Lodge to State Administration's position on Russia.
Senator Borah to reply to him.
House: Speeches on taxes, etc.
Ways and Means Committee continues work on tax bill.

Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Blair returned to Dallas this afternoon following a visit of a few days in this city.

SWEET POTATO CURING PLANT DESTROYED BY BLAZE AT NOON

At 12:35 an alarm was turned in from the south part of town and the fire department responded immediately to find the Sweet Potato curing plant in flames. The origin of the fire is said to have been in an explosion of an oil stove. Two stoves were burning in the plant at the time, which housed about 2500 bushels of potatoes. The fire department had to use practically 1350 feet of hose

Across Chinese Border Pour Thibetan Savages

By RAY G. MARSHALL

(United Press Staff Correspondent)

PEKIN, Jan. 7.—Ten Americans are surrounded by Thibetan bandit hordes in the city of Batang, in Western Sze Chuan and are in imminent peril of starvation, according to reports to the American legation here. Other foreigners are likewise trapped.

The savage Thibetans poured over the border into China recently, the report stated and surrounded the walled city of Batang, burning and looting all surrounding towns.

Chinese garrisons of the district fled, or had disappeared shortly before the appearance of the savages and assistance is declared impossible for weeks.

Civil officers of Batang fled. The Americans who are left behind, facing death from starvation or capture by the Thibetan hordes, are, M. H. Duncan, his wife and son; H. M. Hardy, wife and three sons, all of the foreign Christian Mission Society and J. R. Morse and wife of the United Christian Mission.

Obregon Calls Mexican Senate Special Session

DALLAS, Texas, Jan. 7.—President Obregon of Mexico will surrender the extraordinary powers given him during the revolutionary crisis as a result of the permanent commission's approval of his proposal to convene special session of the Mexican senate and house of deputies according to a telegram from the Mexican foreign relations department to Senor Servando Barrera Guerra, Mexican consul here.

The telegram stated the government feels the country in general had undergone a change most favorable to the administration and that the emergency powers in military and internal affairs accorded the president are no longer needed.

Small Oklahoma Village Is Home Of Bandit Gang

BARTLESVILLE, Okla., Jan. 7.—Ramona, small village near here, which has been a stopping ground for ambitious bank robbers during the past several months, has a police force today.

Ed Taylor is the "force," and the town's first peace officer.

BLOOMING GROVE, Texas, Jan. 7.—Fire which swept two business houses here last night, caused damage estimated at \$20,000. The blaze started in a drug store and spread to an adjoining clothing store.

FIFTEEN YEAR OLD YOUTH ADMITS WRECKING TRAIN AND KILLING ENGINEER

PALESTINE, Texas, Jan. 7.—Virgil Harrison, 15, is held pending an investigation following his alleged confession that he threw the switch that wrecked a T. & N. O. train Friday near Jacksonville, killing the engineer and injuring the fireman. The au-

thorities said the youth took them to the scene of the wreck and showed how he smashed the switch lock and threw the switch a few minutes before the train was due. Harrison had been put off of a T. & N. O. train earlier in the day.

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CLEANLINESS A MATTER OF VIGILANCE!

Eternal vigilance is the price a community must pay for a healthy citizenship. Mexia must not forget this fact. In entering upon a new year of action and worthy achievement, every citizen, every mother and father, every home owner, and every property owner should give heed to the need of making the place healthier and more sanitary. It matters not how much effort is expended by one party to clean up, if his neighbor is not equally zealous his efforts are minimized. No city can be healthier than its conditions permit. Let's stay clean all this year. Proper cooperation must be extended the city officials in this particular.

The News is being commended on every hand for its discussion of the new highway law and the action of Limestone County Commissioners, which editorial appeared Sunday. Particularly praise is being given the paragraph which suggested that the people should vote on a new court house.

Under the old highway law, every county was at the mercy of its neighboring counties. Under the new, every highway must be completed and kept up. What doth it profit a man to find paved streets between mud holes. The new system gave us the mud holes. The new system in time will fill them up.

Build the legion memorial building and city auditorium. It's needed for a bigger and better Mexia.

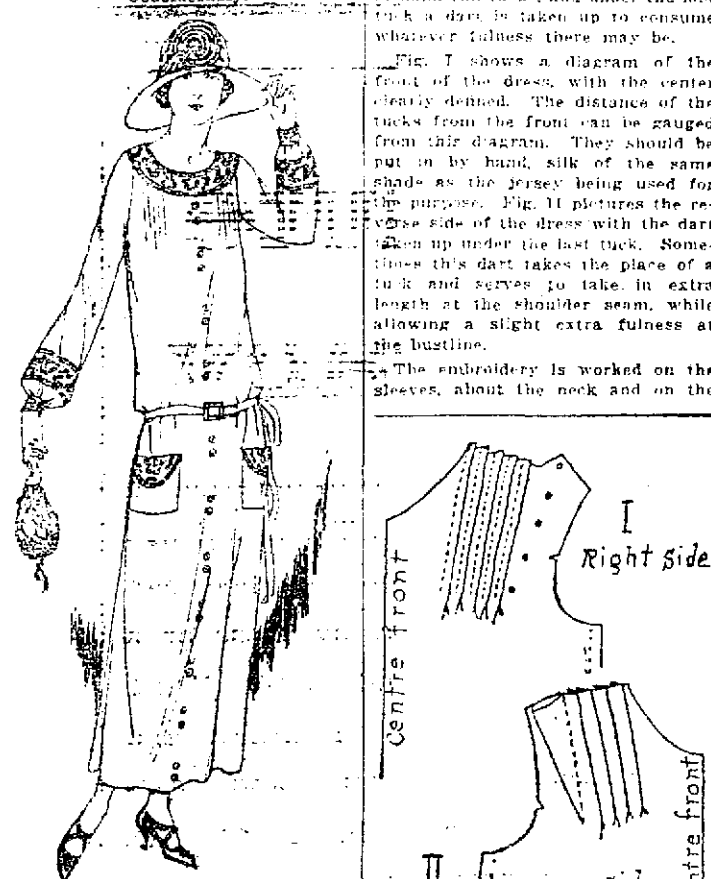
KANSAS CITY, Mo.—A "siren" who feigned distress, is luring motorists on lonely roads outside of Kansas City into robbers' hands, officials warned.

KANSAS CITY, Mo.—Check room attendants at the Union Station were handed a five year old rattlesnake along with other baggage.



By JEANNE BOLAND
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Embroidery Smartens This Frock Considerably



An Inexpensive and Attractive Trimming
Nothing smarter could be suggested for a daytime frock than this model in dark blue wool jersey knit. The dress is in a new, navy and green silk. The lines are straight, of course.

Jersey fabric may be used for this frock and as it is always at least 31 inches wide, one has only to get as much as the length requires. Add an extra three-fourth of a yard for long sleeves and the patch pockets.

At the shoulders there are groups of tucks, and under the bust there is a darts taken up to consume whatever fullness there may be. Fig. I shows a diagram of the front of the dress, with the center darts removed. The distance of the tucks from the front can be gauged from this diagram. They should be put in by hand, silk of the same shade as the jersey being used for the purpose. Fig. II pictures the reverse side of the dress with the darts taken up under the last tuck. Sometimes this dart takes the place of a tuck and serves to take in extra length at the shoulder seam, while allowing a slight extra fullness at the bustline.

The embroidery is worked on the sleeves, about the neck and on the

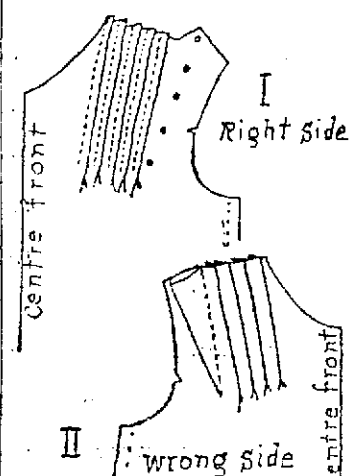


Fig. I.—Tucks Stitch on Right Side of Blouse.

Fig. II.—Showing Dart Taken Up Under Last Tuck.

Blouse. In one stitch. This stitch develops quickly. Almost as quickly in fact as the darning stitch, and as it is exceedingly simple to make, there is no reason why every home dressmaker should do it with the utmost success.

NEW PROBE INTO DINES AFFAIR WHEN HAYS ARRIVES

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 6.—With the arrival in Los Angeles tomorrow of Will H. Hays, head of the motion picture Producers' and Distributors' Association, a new investigation is scheduled to be launched into the shooting of Courtland S. Dines, in which Mabel Normand is said to have been involved.

A meeting of the organization has been called for Tuesday at which the tragic climax of the gay party given by Dines at his apartment New Year's night, and all the circumstances surrounding it, will be the principal subject of discussion. And, as a result, it was whispered in Hollywood today, will come the ten commandments of 1924 for the film players of the motion picture capital—rules of conduct which they must observe if they hope to remain in the good graces of the organization. These, it is said, will be in the nature of definitions of the so-called "morality clause" now included in a great many of the contracts of picture stars.

This clause was inserted after the murder of William Desmond Taylor, the Arbuckle affair and other scandals of recent years which have rocked the motion picture world. While Hays has always denied that his job is that of regulating the morals of film players, the general opinion in Hollywood has been that "Hays will get you if you don't watch out."

When Hays quit the job of postmaster general and became the head of the picture magnates organization, it was with the avowed purpose of "cleaning up the industry." The new investigation by those within the industry was determined upon, it is understood, because of the large number of telegrams received by Mabel Normand, from boards of censors and exhibitors, asking her version of the affair.

Detectives today questioned Mrs. Edith Burns, companion of Miss Normand, in an effort to clear up several points in her story which conflicted with that of Horace Greer, the film star's chauffeur.

Reports from the hospital of the Good Samaritan today were to the effect that both Dines and Miss Normand are progressing nicely and that both are out of danger. Visitors are not permitted with the exception of intimate friends and relatives.

Four Dead After Huntsville Fire

HUNTSVILLE, Ill., Jan. 7.—Fire swept the business district here yesterday, taking a toll of four dead and three injured.

The dead: ELMO BURNS, 16. RAYMOND BRIGGS, 32. MAURICE McFETERS, 28. JOHN STOVER, 22. George Purcell, Marion Harris and Vernon Unger were injured.

Falling walls killed the four. Seven business establishments were destroyed.

He Drops 190 Pounds by Hearty Eating



M. M. Parka, Jr.

By heartily eating M. M. Parka, of Milwaukee, has dropped from 450 pounds to 260 in one year and four months. He says he will reach 200 pounds by Easter of 1924. He has taken the clear juice of three cases of lemon and a case of times in the past year. His daily menu is: Breakfast—Two eggs, toaster, ten bread (two pieces), relishes. Lunch—Nothing. Dinner—Three pieces gluten bread (toasted), meat, preferably chicken, but never pork, and relishes.

No. 998. OFFICIAL STATEMENT OF THE FINANCIAL CONDITION OF THE FARMERS STATE BANK AT MEXIA, STATE OF TEXAS, at the close of business on the 31st day of December, 1923, published in The Mexia Daily News, a newspaper printed and published at Mexia, State of Texas, on the 7th day of January, 1924.

RESOURCES
Loans and Discounts, personal or collateral \$544,543.17
Loans, real estate NONE
Overdrafts 3,463.96
Bonds and Stocks 132,415.49
Real Estate (banking house) 38,903.59
Other Real Estate 36,479.29
Furniture and Fixtures 21,469.33
Due from other Banks and Bankers, and cash on hand 292,104.43
Interest on Depositors' Guaranty Fund 13,337.26
Assessment Depositors' Guaranty Fund 29,600.85
Acceptances and Bills of Exchange 227,999.56
Other Resources 835.41

TOTAL \$1,341,142.34
LIABILITIES
Capital Stock paid in \$100,000.00
Surplus Fund 15,000.00
Undivided Profits, net 9,096.37
Due to Banks and Bankers, subject to check, net 28,693.87
Individual Deposits, subject to check 1,096,310.40
Savings Deposits, Postal 167.52
Cashier's Checks 90,736.96
Other liabilities 1,137.28

TOTAL \$1,341,142.34

STATE OF TEXAS, County of Limestone:
We, Jno. H. Sweatt, as president and J. L. Hearn, as cashier of said bank, each of us, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of our knowledge and belief.
JNO. H. SWEATT, President,
J. L. HEARN, Cashier.

CORRECT—ATTEST:
Roy B. Bass
W. J. Keeling
Julius Nussbaum, Directors.
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 5th day of January, A. D. 1924.
C. G. WHITE,
Notary Public, Limestone County, Texas.

From the Pyramids to Calvary Interests Great Congregation At First Baptist Church Sunday

"From the Pyramids to Calvary" was the subject of an illustrated lecture presented at the First Baptist church, by Coleman Craig, Associate editor of the Baptist Standard. A crowded church greeted him.

The throngs occupied the auditorium, Sunday school rooms and balconies. Mr. Craig presented pictures which he took while on a recent visit to Palestine. The audience was greatly edified and received much information concerning the Holy Land and the Holy City.

Before presenting the pictures, the lecturer told of conditions in Germany, stating that while there he realized one ambition of many when he became a millionaire for the first time in his life. All he had to do was to change a little good old U. S. A. money into German marks. Also he told of the wreckage in Belgium caused by the war with Germany, saying that while France and Belgium are scarred, in Germany none can tell that there has ever been a war there, in so far as the appearance of the country is concerned. In view of this he urged tolerance toward France in her demands upon Germany, saying that the people who bring on a war should be expected to pay the bills, if the world would have enduring peace.

On presenting the pictures of Palestine, the crowd learned many things that they did not know of that little country. The speaker said that it was a very small country and could be crossed easily within a day in an automobile. That it had a great part in the civilization of the world, he pointed out was due to it having furnished the birthplace and cradle of Christ and Christian civilization. There are now only two religions in Palestine. They are Mohammedanism and Roman Catholicism, he said. Where the temple of Solomon stood now stands a Mohammed mosque and where the lowly manger stood now stands a Roman Catholic altar. He stated that he had never seen such misery and poverty, squalor and filth as in Jerusalem and the entire country was very disappointing. In discussing the terrible condition of the women of that land, he said that women in Christian lands should be the best of Christians as they owe all they are to the Christ who is unknown in Palestine, his birth place, as he is known in America and other Christian lands.

The lecture included the presentation many Biblical scenes and brought the crowd face to face with the most sacred spots on earth. They left feeling that they had seen their Savior, emphasized especially by the pictures of conditions in lands where He is not recognized. The pastor, Rev. Joe Jeffers, introduced the speaker and another feature of the program was renditions by the Baptist quartet, composed of Messrs. Beene, Sanford, Harper and Jeffers.

FAIR AND WARMER
CHICAGO, Jan. 7.—Fair weather with warmer temperatures came to the Middle West today as the cold wave blew over to the east and south.

More than a score of deaths were recorded in the Central States as a direct result of the frigid blasts over the week-end. The death toll stood at seventeen in Chicago alone.

Hundreds of fires—most of them caused by overheated stoves and furnaces—brought property damage estimated at \$2,000,000.

FORT WORTH, Jan. 7.—The trial of C. N. Livingston, 51, charged with murder in connection with the fatal shooting of Alfred Davis, 27, at Granite last July, was to open here today. A special venire of 100 men has been drawn from which to select a jury.

Charter No. 12190 Reserve District No. 11
REPORT OF CONDITION OF THE PRENDERGAST-SMITH NATIONAL BANK AT MEXIA, IN THE STATE OF TEXAS, AT THE CLOSE OF BUSINESS ON DECEMBER 31, 1923.

RESOURCES
1 Loans and discounts, including rediscounts acceptances of other banks, and foreign bills of exchange or drafts sold with indorsement of this bank \$820,257.97
2 Overdrafts, unsecured 714.82
3 All other United States Government securities (including premiums, if any) 154,062.50
4 Other bonds, stocks, securities, etc. 3,400.00
5 Banking house \$53,800; Furniture & fixtures \$15,646.23 69,446.23
6 Lawful reserve with Federal Reserve Bank 78,109.13
7 Cash in vault and amount due from national banks 154,981.55
8 Amount due from State banks, bankers and trust companies in the United States (other than included in items 8, 9, and 10) 8,755.58
9 Exchanges for clearing house 8,511.50
10 Total of items 9, 10, 11, 12, and 13 \$172,249.72
11 Miscellaneous cash items 7,928.35
12 Other assets, if any 281.25

TOTAL \$1,306,449.97

LIABILITIES
17 Capital stock paid in \$100,000.00
18 Surplus fund 12,000.00
19 Undivided profits 2,726.11
20 Amount due to national banks 123,149.07
21 Amount due to State banks, bankers, and trust companies in the United States and foreign countries (other than included in items 21 or 22) 42,716.68
22 Cashier's checks outstanding 210,731.31
23 Total of items 21, 22, 23, 24 and 25 \$376,597.06
24 Individual deposits subject to check 794,180.80
25 Certificates of deposit due in less than 30 days (other than for money borrowed) 20,046.00
26 Dividends unpaid 900.00
27 Total of demand deposits (other than bank deposits) subject to Reserve, items 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, and 31 \$815,126.80

TOTAL \$1,306,449.97

STATE OF TEXAS, County of Limestone, ss:
I, N. Hollingsworth, Cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.
N. HOLLINGSWORTH, Cashier.

CORRECT—ATTEST:
J. Sanford Smith
B. S. Smith
Jack Womack, Directors.
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 7th day of January, 1924.
DAVID MURPHY, Notary Public.

Charter No. 11954 Reserve District No. 11
REPORT OF CONDITION OF THE CITY NATIONAL BANK AT MEXIA, IN THE STATE OF TEXAS, AT CLOSE OF BUSINESS ON DECEMBER 31st, 1923.

RESOURCES
1 Loans and discounts \$471,468.80
2 Overdrafts NONE
3 U. S. Government securities owned:
a Deposited to secure circulation (U. S. bonds par value) \$100,000.00
b All other United States Government securities (including premiums, if any) 240,807.66
Total 340,807.66
4 Other bonds, stocks, securities, etc. 101,604.73
5 Banking house \$40,000; furniture and fixtures \$14,095.45 54,095.45
6 Real estate owned other than banking house 2,186.87
7 Lawful reserve with Federal Reserve Bank 66,881.92
8 Cash in vault and amount due from national banks 301,877.25
9 Checks on other banks in the same city or town as reporting bank 9,332.27
10 Total of items 10 and 13 \$311,209.52
11 Miscellaneous cash items 1,227.79
12 Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer and due from U. S. Treasurer 5,000.00

TOTAL \$1,354,282.74

LIABILITIES
17 Capital Stock paid in \$100,000.00
18 Surplus fund 12,000.00
19 Undivided profits \$36,951.15
a Reserved for interest and taxes accrued 3,286.78 \$40,237.93
Less current expenses, interest and taxes paid 22,737.25 17,500.68
20 Circulating notes outstanding 100,000.00
21 Amount due to Federal Reserve Bank (deferred credits) 5,124.54
22 Amount due to national banks 5,149.92
23 Amount due to State banks, bankers, and trust companies in the United States 3,614.55
24 Cashier's checks outstanding 12,848.81
25 Total of items 21, 22, 23 and 25 \$26,737.85
26 Individual deposits subject to check 769,162.02
27 State, county, or other municipal deposits secured by pledge of assets of this bank or surety bond 76,057.81
28 Dividends unpaid 5,000.00
29 Total of demand deposits (other than bank deposits, subject to Reserve, items 26, 28, 30 \$850,219.86
30 Certificates of deposit (other than for money borrowed) 18,630.40
31 State, county, or other municipal deposits secured by pledge of assets of this bank or surety bond 229,160.19
32 Total of time deposits subject to Reserve, items 32, and 33 \$247,799.59
34 Liabilities other than those above stated 24.76

TOTAL \$1,354,282.74

STATE OF TEXAS, County of Limestone, ss:
I, W. G. Forrest, Cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.
W. G. FORREST, Cashier.

CORRECT—ATTEST:
W. W. Barrett
Blake Smith
David Murphy
Emile Nussbaum, Directors.
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 5th day of January, 1924.
SOPHIA E. TRAVIS, Notary Public.

62 pictures, all of which pertain to some athletic team or a band of the University. He also has a collection of Cactuses, the University year book, beginning with the year 1903.

No worry about cooking or the dishes when you eat at the Majestic Cafe. Meals served the family way at 50 cents.

I Want To Buy

E. L. Smith Oil Conmany
Mexia Heart of The Pool
Powell 500

Jesse McLendon
Phone 1

English Boxing Falls Short as Model

By HENRY L. FARRELL
(United Press Sports Editor)

NEW YORK, Jan. 7.—New York, yelping about bad decisions, poor fights, uneven matches, faulty rules and various ills of the boxing business, hears it frequently suggested:

"Why not do as the English do?" Because no yelps are heard on the radio from the other side, it is erroneously believed that in England, where the sport is pictured as being perfectly supervised and conducted, boxing is a well-behaved and well-acting old man.

From the following letter, appearing in a recent issue of "Sporting Life" (London) it may be gathered that while the difficulties there may be minor, they are taken very seriously:

"To the Editor:
"Sir: I quite agree that the referee's proper place is outside the ropes, but obviously there is great temptation to get inside.

"The M. C.'s request that there should be 'silence during the rounds' has become a dead letter in all the big halls, such as Olympia, Albert, and Holland Park. Even that great referee Jack Angle is neither a megaphone nor a fog-horn, and I fail to see how he could make himself heard in the ring when the bulk of the spectators lose their heads and yell in mad excitement.

"Should a conscientious referee retire and refuse to act if the onlookers refused to behave themselves another would be found to take his place.

"It must be recollected that a large percentage of pugilists are ornamented with cauliflower ears and have impaired hearing, so, unless silence reigns at the order 'Stop,' one combatant might drop his hands whilst the other carried on, with disastrous results to his opponent.

"A claim for a foul is, at times, a problem somewhat difficult to solve.

"As an illustration—a man stopped boxing and claimed a foul—I, as referee, was watching every move with the keenest scrutiny, and will credit the judges with being equally on the qui vive. None of us saw a foul, so, of course, the claim was not allowed, and the other man was proclaimed the winner.

"Shortly afterwards this winner, in the most sportsmanlike and honorable manner volunteered the statement: 'I am sorry to say that I did accidentally foul him with my knee.'

"It might not have been a very serious blow and left no mark, but enough to put a man temporarily out of action.

"Believing my decision to have been erratic, I salvaged my conscience by making the loser a present, with which he was completely satisfied. Luckily it was only a minor event, and a challenge to a return match may have been issued.

"Claude Champion De Crespigny, American referee probably would not care to see the custom introduced in this country of giving prizes as 'salve' to defeated boxers.

Just out, the widest read magazine, circulated in Mexia, February True Story. Get them while they last. Pioneer News Stand.

For Smart Sports Wear



THERE are sweaters and sweaters, but nothing seems to take the place of the heavy brushed wool sweater for outdoor wear. School girls and college girls find it one of the most popular garments in their wardrobe, not only for skating and skiing and athletic meets, but for general wear as well.

The brushed wool slipover is not confined to the school girl, however, for her older sister, her mother and her aunt, all hail it as one of the most desirable knitted outerwear products. It is one of those happily designed garments where style and comfort meet, and due to the fact that it may be worn with or without a coat, is equally at home in town or country.

Colors and collars also have much to do with the popularity of the brushed wool slipover. For those of conservative tastes, there are colors that will please, and for those wishing something to agree with a gay mood, there are any number of colors and color combinations. Stripes in keeping with fashion's edicts, play an extremely important part.

One of the newest sweaters has a collar standing up just at the back which serves a utilitarian purpose, being a perfect wind-shield, and also introduces an individual style note.

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Patterson's Column



As moves the universe so does every thing else.

Nothing is permanent but change. It is true even in business.

A business must either advance or go backward. There is no middle ground.

The business man who takes fright at every little wisp of a cloud that shows up on the horizon, will never get any where.

It is better to be blown away by a cyclone occasionally than to spend all your life in a storm cellar.

When I was forced by excessive rental demands to remove to another location, I selected what to my mind was the best location in Mexia—and got it.

I did not quibble about the rent for I am a quick trader. It took me two minutes to trade with Doc Corley. I asked what he wanted and he told me and I said "I'll take it,"—and I'm glad I did, all be it I had to spend a lot of coin getting the place in shape. I still get the same size building for approximately one half what was asked for the other.

One of my first promises to Mexia people was a first class up-to-date store where they could get their requirements in jewelry and kindred lines at moderate prices with the assurance of high quality.

My stock has always been of the best quality but until the present time I have been prevented from arranging a nice store because I could not get a favorable lease.

This situation has now been remedied, and I invite Mexia to visit us at our NEW LOCATION, between Corley Furniture Co., and Karner and Phillips—the location formerly occupied by LAWSON SEWELL dry Goods Co.

While we are by no means through renovating yet, we are in position to wait upon you. I am enlarging my stock of VICTOR and COLUMBIA RECORDS and shall carry by far the largest stock of late records in this part of the state.

Come and see us.

—PATTERSON.

THIS IS THE MONTH

To wipe the slate clean.

To keep all of the stock warm.

To plan the crops and plot the ground.

To smoke the meat. Cheese cloth sewed over the pieces will keep the skippers out.

To make up breeding pens. A general rule is to mate hens with cockerels and pullets with older males.

To get new blood into the poultry flock. An extra dollar or two for a good cockerel is money well invested.

To study the different makes of incubators, and order yours early. Late orders may cause serious delays.

To cover the strawberries with straw. It is the freezing and thawing of late winter and early spring that hurts.

To warm the ax and other steel tools before using. In cold weather, a piece is easily chipped out with a little strain.

To roughen the horses' shoes on icy days. Nothing is more pitiful than to see a horse injured by a fall on a slippery road.—Farm Life.

Back-breaking Washing

Is no longer necessary. The finest work at a very moderate cost we now offer in our modern laundry. Clothes clean and sweet with no more trouble than telephoning for our delivery wagon. Try us with this week's wash.

NEW - WAY LAUNDRY

500 East Commerce St.

Odd Fellows Instal Officers

At the regular meeting of Mexia Lodge No. 48, I. O. O. F. held last Tuesday night officers for the ensuing term were installed as follows, Dan Hall, special district grand master acting as installing officer:

- F. Tomlinson, N. G.
- S. K. Hall, V. G.
- F. W. Evans, Secretary.
- H. Chitwood, Treasurer.
- E. A. Hawkins, R. S. to N. G.
- M. D. Watson, L. S. to N. G.
- R. W. Ivey, Warden.
- John R. Bales, Conductor.
- Wm. Parsons, R. S. S.
- Ed. R. Farrar, L. S. S.
- Joe H. Seagler, O. G.
- G. W. Smith, I. G.
- C. J. Oliver, Chaplain.
- B. W. Ehrlich, R. S. to V. G.
- J. A. Thompson, L. S. to V. G.
- Dan Hall, representative to grand lodge.

O. Kennedy, alternate representative.

This lodge, organized less than a year ago, has increased its membership from about thirty five at organization, to more than one hundred, and is still growing, enrolling as members the best material to be found for fraternal work. They meet every Tuesday night at Knights of Pythias hall and have degree work every meeting. Visitors are always welcome.

SEEING THINGS

HOUSTON, Texas, Jan. 7.—He was a big stalwart fellow. From his clothing and demeanor you could tell he was from the country.

"I wish you'd lock me up—I'm seeing things."

"Been drinking Jake?" police asked.

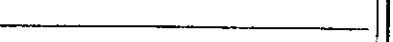
"Yes," he replied.

Now he's locked up still seeing things that he can't get away from.

Walter Exell, who was in the newspaper business here some thirty years ago, was in the city Monday from his home in Denver, meeting old time friends and attending to some business.

A Health Food for Frail Children

SCOTT'S EMULSION



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This bank strives to be more than a depository for funds. Our effort is to be more helpful; to justify the public trust reposed in us by a service that is straightforward, kindly and business-like.

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Removal Notice

A. M. Wesson

JEWELER

101 East Commerce Street In Pittman Building

Absolute Accuracy

Accuracy is an important consideration in the preparation of medicines. The best drugs in the world, if inaccurately handled can prove a source of harm by overdose or a matter of no value in underdose. Bring your prescription to us for accuracy and safety where scientific weighing and measuring instruments permit this to be true. Accuracy is guaranteed when our label is on the prescription.

Anderson & Horn Druggists

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Phone 213

Ring Darder Will Not Run For the U. S. Presidency

In Good Housekeeping's Presidential straw vote, Ring Dardner, famous humorist, received one vote. When notified, Dardner refused to run. He said:

"To all U. S. Citizens:

I just been notified by the Good Housekeeping Magazine that a lady out in my home state of Michigan casted a vote for me for President of the U. S. and before the movement develops into a landslide would like to exclaim that not under no conditions will I run for same or allow my name to be placed on the ballots as I am a good deal like Henry Ford which I don't mean financial but the both of us is perfectly satisfied with the present incumbence. Further and more they tell me the White House has got to have over \$400,000 worth of repairs which could not happen to the house which I am living in it at present so why the he—ll jump from the frying pan into a bake oven like Washington?"

YOUR OLD SHOES

REMADE LIKE NEW

D. Prickett Shoe Shop

The Prickett Shoe Repairing Shop is the Shoe's Hospital. Your old shoes will be made to look like new. You'll be surprised at the way they will wear too, like brand new. We use only the finest leather to work with—and our workmanship is unexcelled. Bring in a pair.

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Opposite Post Office

NO KNOCKS

We take the knocks out of your engine or fix anything else that is wrong. And besides you'll hear no knocks nor knock our service to others. We do it right and charge you the right price. You'll find out when you try us. Phone 591.

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A Shiek in His Natural State

HOUSTON, Texas, Jan. 7.—He was a "shiek." His habitat was the ornate entrance of a luxurious downtown hotel. He smiled fatuously at young women who were lucky enough to pass his way.

But all his "shieking" was on the outside.

When the "parade" had thinned he was seen to "mooch" a half dollar from a stranger standing by and repair to a cheap "beanery" where atop a tall stool he ravenously gobbled down coarse food.

Lunch and dinner served at Majestic Cafe in family style per meal 50 cents.

SORE THROAT

Gargle with warm salt water—then apply over throat—

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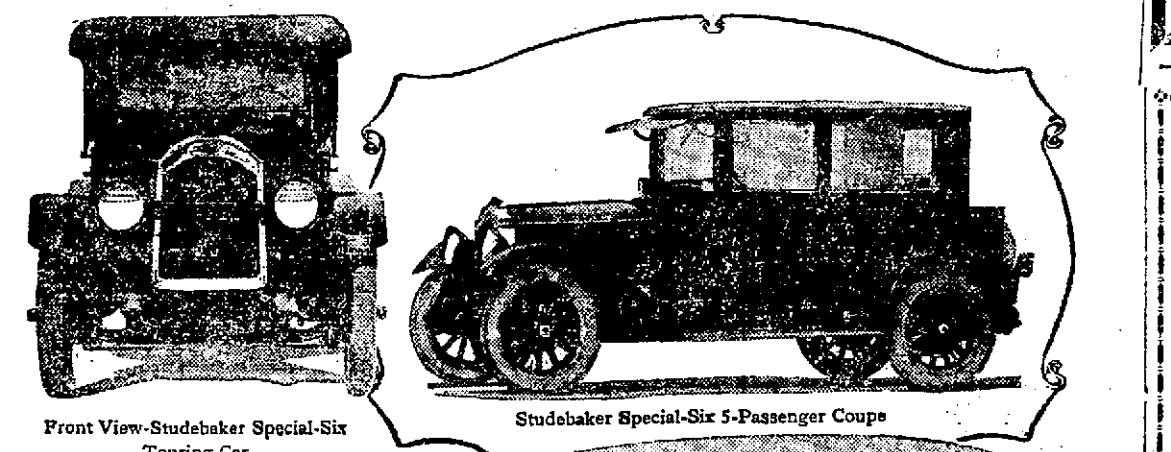
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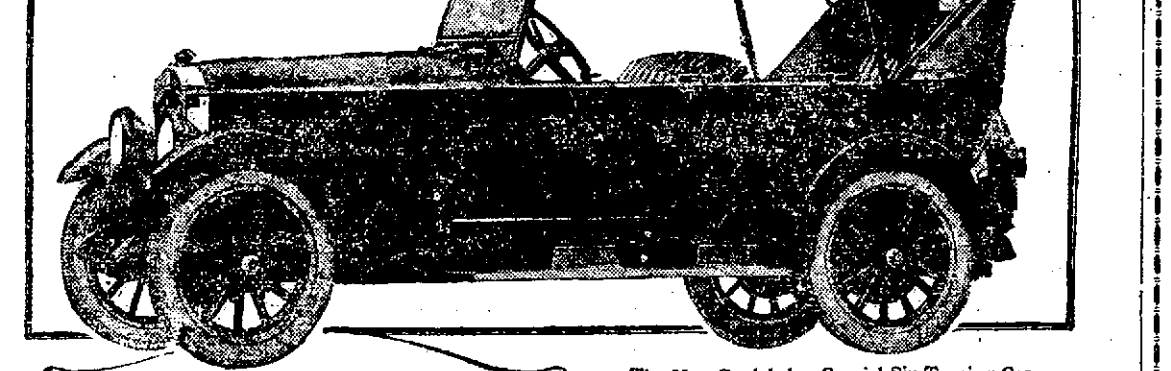
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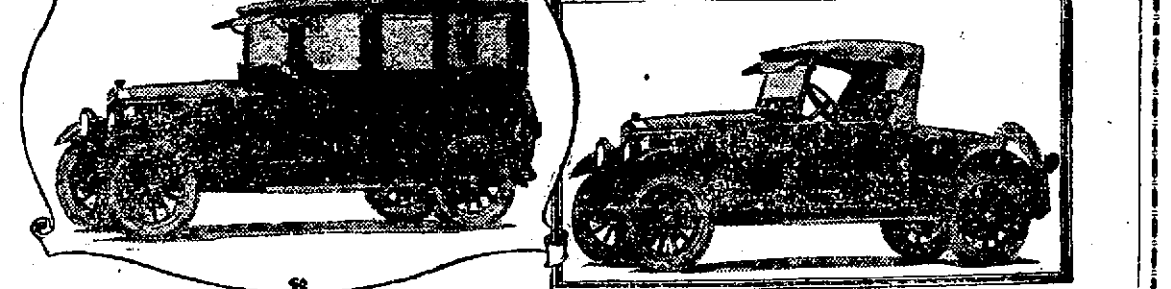


Front View-Studebaker Special-Six Touring Car

Studebaker Special-Six 5-Passenger Coupe



The New Studebaker Special-Six Touring Car



The 1924 Studebaker Special-Six Sedan

The New Special-Six 2-Passenger Roadster

MEXIA MOTOR CAR CO., Inc.

500 East Commerce St.

Phone 213

Leap Year Surprise Party Is Given For Miss Reuby Norton

The girls do the asking.

Friends of Miss Reuby Lee Norton planned a Leap Year surprise party in her honor on Saturday evening last and proved that all novel ideas for entertainment have not yet been exhausted, and naturally so, the ladies of the party having full control over all festivities.

At eight o'clock all participants assembled in the spacious living room of the Henry Homestead and for several hours enjoyed to the full the lure of music and dance. At eleven the happy assembly was called to order and after a short introductory address, explaining the object of the gathering, the guest of honor was presented by each and every one of her friends present with some article that would be useful to her upon her contemplated trip to the shores of the Sunny Pacific. In presenting their chosen gift, the donor accompanied the presentation with a few verses in rhyme apropos of the occasion and of the article in question. Being impromptu and unexpected, many of the presentation speeches possibly lacked the meter of true poetry but one and all expressed the appreciation and forethought of the donor and the sorrow each and every one felt in losing from their midst the charming and lovable lady who has built up such a large circle of true friends during her all too brief stay in Mexia.

It is universally felt that not only Dr. Brown and the Brown Hospital will suffer an almost irreparable loss in the departure of Miss Norton from our fair city but, she will leave a place in the hearts of innumerable friends that will indeed be hard to fill. It was the hope of all present that not only would the absence be but of short duration but also that in the very near future she may return to this place that has been her home for the past year and renew and still further strengthen the many friendships she has already cemented by her unfailing courtesy, ability and the true sympathy that is hers.

Immediately following the presentation ceremonies of buffet luncheon, arranged as only Monte can arrange it was served in the dining room and the

palates of the Roman epicures were never satiated by viands more delicious than those provided by the ladies responsible and it was indeed hard for the male element to resist sampling the numerous delicacies while waiting for the toast to be proposed and drunk to the honored guest.

After another short exemplification of terpsichorean grace the party broke up regretfully but with the hope that in the very near future all might be gathered together again without the thought of parting.

Those participating to make the evening a success were:

Mesdames O. B. Siler, D. H. Dorset, A. H. Eubanks, C. O. Denning, Rose Parker, Misses E. M. Holden, Mable Herin and Mary Carlton and the following ticket buyers O. B. Siler, Dr. D. H. Dorset, A. H. Eubanks, C. O. Denning, Dr. C. P. McKenzie, J. H. Barnes, J. E. Urschel and J. G. McIntosh and the lady in whose honor the affair was planned, Miss Reuby Lee Norton.

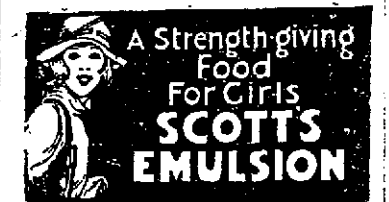
Horseshoe Was Bad Luck for Her

FORT WORTH, Texas, Jan. 7.—A boyish superstition recently cost Mrs. Bessie Rubenstein the loss of two teeth.

Jess, Calvin, 9, wandering along the street found an old horseshoe. Eagerly seizing it, he spit on both sides and threw it over his shoulder "for luck."

Mrs. Rubenstein, walking behind him, was struck in the face with the horseshoe, losing two front teeth.

A frog and a lizard, previously unknown to science, were recently found in Colombia.



Local News

Prior to 1825 all women's shoes were made without heels.

Westminster is receiving a coat of whitewash to prevent it from rotting.

Misses Rennolds and De Long announce the reopening of the Kindergarten Monday.

The plumbers did a good business the past few days repairing broken bibs and water pipes.

H. L. Hall, traveling representative for Trinity University, spent Sunday in Mexia with his family.

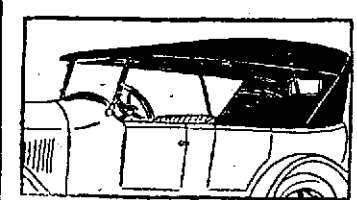
Charles Alderman, who is attending school in Tennessee, spent part of the holidays here with his mother.

Mrs. C. M. Alderman spent the holidays with her daughter in Oklahoma, but is back at her duties as librarian.

The Mexia Public Schools resumed work this morning after a two weeks vacation for the holidays, and all is activity again among pupils and teachers.

Rev. E. H. Hudson, the new pastor of the First Presbyterian church, writes from Beville that he expects to arrive in Mexia during this week and begin his pastorate next Sunday.

J. D. Arrington, Jr., and Rufus McKenzie left Sunday for Lebanon, Tenn.



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to resume their studies at Castle Heights Military Academy, after spending the holidays here with their parents.

Hammick Thomas, the colored porter in the Daily News office, met with an accident Saturday night while at his work, in which he suffered the fracture of his right arm just above the wrist. He will be laid up for several days.

Pocket gophers, living near Los Angeles show no appreciable differences from the fossil gophers which lived in California 200,000 years ago.

Methodists Will Girls Dormitory At State University

AUSTIN, Texas, Jan. 7.—Work on the erection of the new \$100,000 dormitory for Methodist girls at the University of Texas here, will start February 1, according to Mrs. T. A. Brown of Austin, chairman of the Methodist State Board of Control.

The board in charge of the building expects to receive \$66,000 from the headquarters of the Methodist Cen-

tenary Fund at Nashville to help in the erection of the dormitory. The Methodist churches of Texas will raise the remainder.

Bessemer steel was first made in this country in September, 1864, at an experimental plant at Wyandotte, Mich.

Friday was the most popular day for wedding among the Jews in medieval times.

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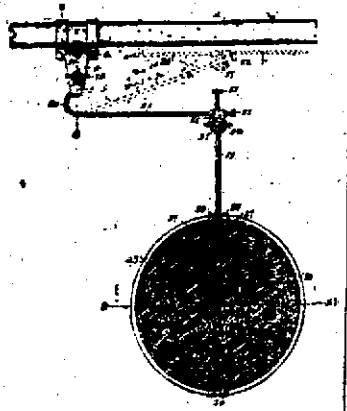
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Latest Patents of Interest to Motorists

Recently Granted by U. S. Patent Office

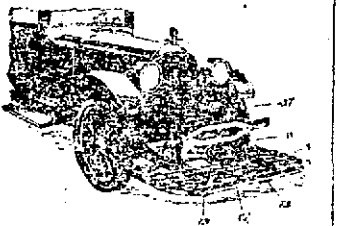
Compiled by CLARENCE A. O'BRIEN, Registered Patent Attorney, Washington, D. C.

1,477,312. ANTI-GLARE ATTACHMENT. Albert F. Caskey, Tiffin, Ohio.



2. An anti-glare attachment for motor vehicles comprising a supporting rod, a clamping device for connecting said rod with a support, a pair of curved coupling plates positioned against said rod and formed with registering openings, an adjustable hanger rod clamping bolt extending through said openings and having its head provided with an opening for the reception of said hanger rod, a clamping nut mounted on said bolt for shifting said plates to clamping position with respect to the supporting rod and to provide for the clamping of the hanger rod to one of said plates by the head of the bolt, a holder adjustably connected between said holder and said hanger rod, and a shield carried by the holder.

1,477,275. COMBINED BUMPER AND FENDER FOR MOTOR VEHICLES. Alfred C. McCloskey, Philadelphia, Pa., assignor to Frederic W. Bacon, Philadelphia, Pa.



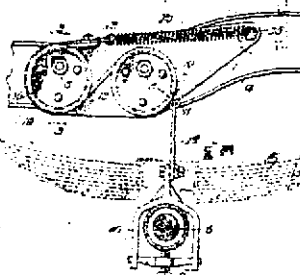
4. The combination with a motor vehicle of a fender resiliently supported at one end, a bumper carried by said fender and resiliently supported between its front and rear ends, and a fender resiliently supported between its front and rear ends, controlled by the driver for controlling the fender either to raise or to lower it, and an automatic means connected with the bumper for effecting the release and lowering of the fender.

1,477,285. COMBINED STOP LIGHT AND TAIL LAMP. Harry A. Rippner, Cleveland, Ohio, assignor to Beacon Motor Lamp Manufacturing Company, Cleveland, Ohio, a Corporation.



2. A device of the kind described comprising a casing having the edges thereof provided with inwardly projecting lugs, a partition arranged in said casing and subdividing the same into two compartments, said partition having depending legs, the front edges of said partition and legs being flanged, said partition also having an upwardly extending lug and upwardly extending apertured ears; a stop signal plate positioned against the lugs of the casing and the upwardly extending lug of the partition, a name plate positioned against the flanges of the partition and legs, and a tail lamp plate positioned against the inwardly projecting lugs of the casing and a flanged frame plate arranged upon the front of the casing, screws passing through said frame plate and engaging the apertured ears of the partition, said frame plate having openings opposite the stop signal plate, name plate and tail lamp plate.

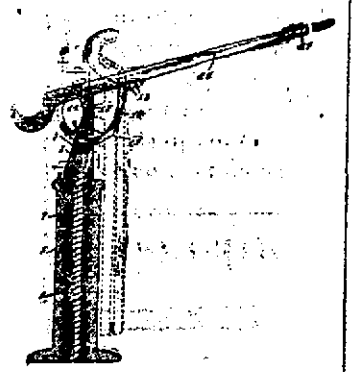
1,477,299. REBOUND-CHECK SHOCK ABSORBER. Edward Armar Tvedahl, Chicago, Ill., assignor of one-half to Joseph F. Davis, Chicago, Ill.



1. A shock absorber comprising an attaching lever, a pair of non-ratcheting horizontal aligned drums carried by the front of the bracket, each drum being hollow and open at its outer end, fastening bolts extending through the drums and the bracket, the head of the bolts being housed within the hollow drums and accessible through the open outer ends thereof, spacer sleeves on the bolts and in rear of the bracket, a friction strap engaging the drums, one end of the strap depending from one of the drums and provided with means for connection with the axle of a vehicle, and a substantially horizontal helical spring having one end secured to the other end of the friction strap and its opposite end secured to the bracket, the drums, strap and spring all being in the same vertical plane.

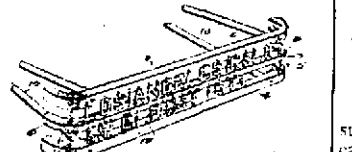
within the hollow drums and accessible through the open outer ends thereof, spacer sleeves on the bolts and in rear of the bracket, a friction strap engaging the drums, one end of the strap depending from one of the drums and provided with means for connection with the axle of a vehicle, and a substantially horizontal helical spring having one end secured to the other end of the friction strap and its opposite end secured to the bracket, the drums, strap and spring all being in the same vertical plane.

1,476,877. AUTOMOBILE JACK. Van Vincent Curtis, McAllen, Tex.



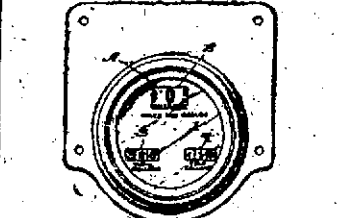
A lifting jack including a base, a threaded shaft movable through the base and having a head, said head having a cut out portion, a lever pivotally supported by the head, a curved ratchet bar secured to the lever and movable between the walls of the cut out portion, the ratchet bar having teeth formed on the upper surface thereof, a pawl pivotally supported within the walls of the cut out portion and disposed above the ratchet bar, said pawl adapted to automatically fall by gravity into engagement with the ratchet bar to lock the lever in its positions of adjustment, and said lever having a curved article engaging extremity.

1,477,067. BUMPER FOR VEHICLES. Jasper Christians Lawson, Los Angeles, Calif.



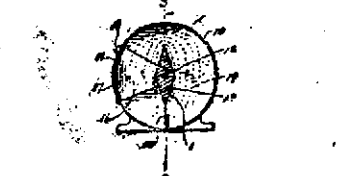
1. A bumper comprising a plurality of similar bars adjustably held in spaced parallel relation, adjacent bars having their confronting sides adapted for engagement with the opposing ends of characters consisting of letters or the like.

1,477,489. MILES-PER-GALLON REGISTER. Clinton Wallace Hough, Boonville, N. Y.



1. In a vacuum operated miles per gallon register, a casing, an odometer element, a dial mounted in said casing to operate in a horizontal plane and having thereon a miles per gallon scale, a slidable actuator for said odometer element, a check device for the dial's diaphragm unit within the casing and including a plunger, and means operated by said plunger for shifting said slidable actuator and releasing said check device.

1,477,031. AUTOMOBILE ROBE HOLDER. George Canning, Los Angeles, Calif.



2. A robe holder for automobiles comprising a casing approximately circular in cross section, a spring actuated roller mounted within the casing, the roller being approximately diamond-shaped in cross section, hooks pivoted along one edge of the roller, the casing having a longitudinally extending opening, and a robe detachably engaged by said hooks.

1,477,165. AUTOMOBILE LOCK. Ransom L. Dobbelaar, Newark, N. J.



2. An automobile lock comprising a support having parallel slots, a lock casing having the slots, bolts slidable in the casing and adapted to be projected from opposite sides of the casing across the slots, a pinion between the bolts to cause their simultaneous operation, a lock in the casing, and a segmental pinion operated from the lock and in mesh with one of the bolts.

MYSTERY SURROUNDS MOVIE SHOOTING.



Edna Purviance, Mrs. Eleanor Harlow, and Nabel Normand

Conflicting stories are still being told regarding the shooting of "Our Lady of the Sinners," a picture of the Dances of Los Angeles, by H. A. Green, alias Joe Kelly, in Dances' Los Angeles home. Kelly was chauffeur for Nabel Normand, film actress, who, with Edna Purviance, another film star, was present during the shooting. Dances was married in 1915 to Doris Carnahan, beautiful Denver girl, and after being divorced by her, three years later he married Mrs. Eleanor Harlow, a pretty widow of Fall River, Mass., who secured a divorce in 1923, alleging "cruelty."

Speakers Compete For T. U. Prizes

AUSTIN, Texas, Jan. 7.—Students at the University of Texas with oratorical talent have a chance each year to win part of the \$400 offered at the school for winners in the various public speaking and debate contests. In addition, a silver loving cup and a gold watch are listed as prizes, the former prize going, however, to the debating society that wins over the others. The first public speaking prize is one of \$25, which will be awarded to the best declaimers among the freshmen students, both men and women. This contest is held on February 12. Any first year or freshman student may try for the prize.

The contest which determines the University's intercollegiate debating teams will be held on January 15. John E. Quaid of El Paso contributes three prizes of \$75, \$50 and \$25 for the respective teams finishing in the first three places.

On March 29, the contest in extempore speaking is held. The winners in both the men's and women's divisions of this contest received an award of \$50 each. Any undergraduate student may participate.

On April 8 will be held the contest in oratory, open to all male students in the University. Prizes of \$50, \$30 and \$20 are given to the first three winners, respectively. The winner of first place represents the University in the Texas State Oratorical Association. H. A. Wroe of Austin is the donor of these prizes.

The intersociety debate is yearly

held on May 12. H. A. Wroe offers the winning society a silver loving cup. The best speaker is given a gold watch by Carl Mayer, Austin jeweler. The cup does not, however, become the permanent property of the winning society unless it is won for three successive years.

Another prize handed by the public speaking department is the W. J. Bryan prize for the best essay on good government. The person winning this prize is given the interest on a fund of \$400.

DALLAS NEWS STAFF MAN IN THE FIELD

Curtis Vinson, Staff Correspondent for the Dallas Morning News, is a local visitor today. He is now preparing a series of articles on the conditions and prospects for 1924 in the oil fields of Texas. Mexia is to be among the first studied and his articles will be watched for with great interest and will no doubt have a great part in the program for development of this resource of Texas within the coming year. He has discovered a feeling of optimism in this part of Texas, which no doubt will be the state of mind observed in other Texas fields.

L. B. Aultman of the law firm of Aultman and Byers, has returned from Corsicana where he has spent much of the time since the discovery of the Powell oil field. He states that he is back permanently this time and is mighty glad to be home again, after a very busy period in Navarro County.

F. L. Smith left today for Corsicana.

TRANSPORTATION CONFERENCE MEETS AT CAPITAL WEDNESDAY

WASHINGTON, Jan. 7 (United Press.)—Transportation on needs of rest and, at the same time, encourage the United States, considered from the angle of the manufacturer, the farmer, the banker, the consumer and every body else concerned, will be studied at a national transportation conference which will convene here Wednesday under the auspices of the Chamber of Commerce of the United States. The session will last three days.

The conference is intended to bring together in intelligent form, for the benefit of congress, the thought of leaders in various lines upon the transportation problem.

Every state is expected to be represented among the 200 or more delegates who assembled at the call of Julius H. Barnes, president of the chamber.

The conference will have before it the studies and recommendations by a special committee of the chamber which spent eight months recently solving into the question. These specific questions will be taken up: What is the probable future of transportation growth? What principle of regulations, fed-

What policies promise to attract necessary capital?

What principles of rate making hold most fairly the scale of relative rates?

Where does highway and motor transport promise its greatest service?

How can waterways be made to contribute their greatest service?

The idea of such a conference as that which met today was first suggested a year ago at an informal conference of representatives of transportation and business men. Secretary of Commerce Hoover also attended.

In accordance with a resolution adopted then, Barnes appointed six subcommittees to study various phases of the transportation problem. Their reports are available for the conference that met today.

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ROBSTOWN SHIPS SPECIAL TRAIN OF PLANTING SEED

ROBSTOWN, Jan. 7.—What is believed to have been the first solid trainload of cotton planting seed ever shipped by a single Texas breeder to the particular section of the state, was made from this point during the past week, and was consigned to points in the lower Rio Grande Valley. The shipment was made by S. Maston Nixon, local breeder and grower of Blue Wagon staple cotton seed, and consisted of a special train of seventeen carloads of his products.

The heavy movement of special staple planting seed shipped by local dealers to all sections of Texas and Oklahoma during the past season indicated that cotton growers are awakening to the merits and value of seed bred and multiplied in the famous Robstown district, where the per-acre yield is phenomenally high and the fields entirely free of "dead" cotton.—Robstown Record.

On account of trouble with the heating plant at the First Baptist church Sunday, that congregation was dismissed prior to the morning service and many of the members attended other services in the city. At night and a great audience heard and saw the illustrated lecture by Mr. Craig.

CONGREGATION IS GLAD OF PASTOR'S ARRIVAL

Splendid audiences greeted the new pastor, Rev. Victor K. Aubrey of St. Joseph, Missouri, at the Central Presbyterian church at both morning and evening hours Sunday. The congregation is much enthused over prospects for a great year of service in 1924 and are happy to welcome their new pastor and his estimable family.

Misses Alma McKenzie and Magnanat left Sunday for Lebanon, Tenn., to resume their studies at Cumberland University, after spending the holidays at home.

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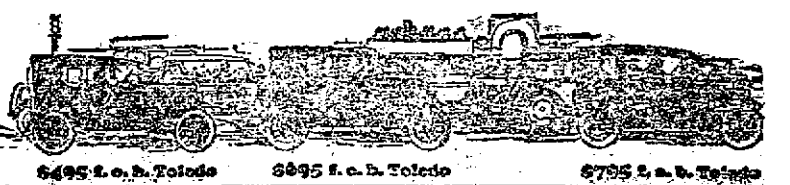
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